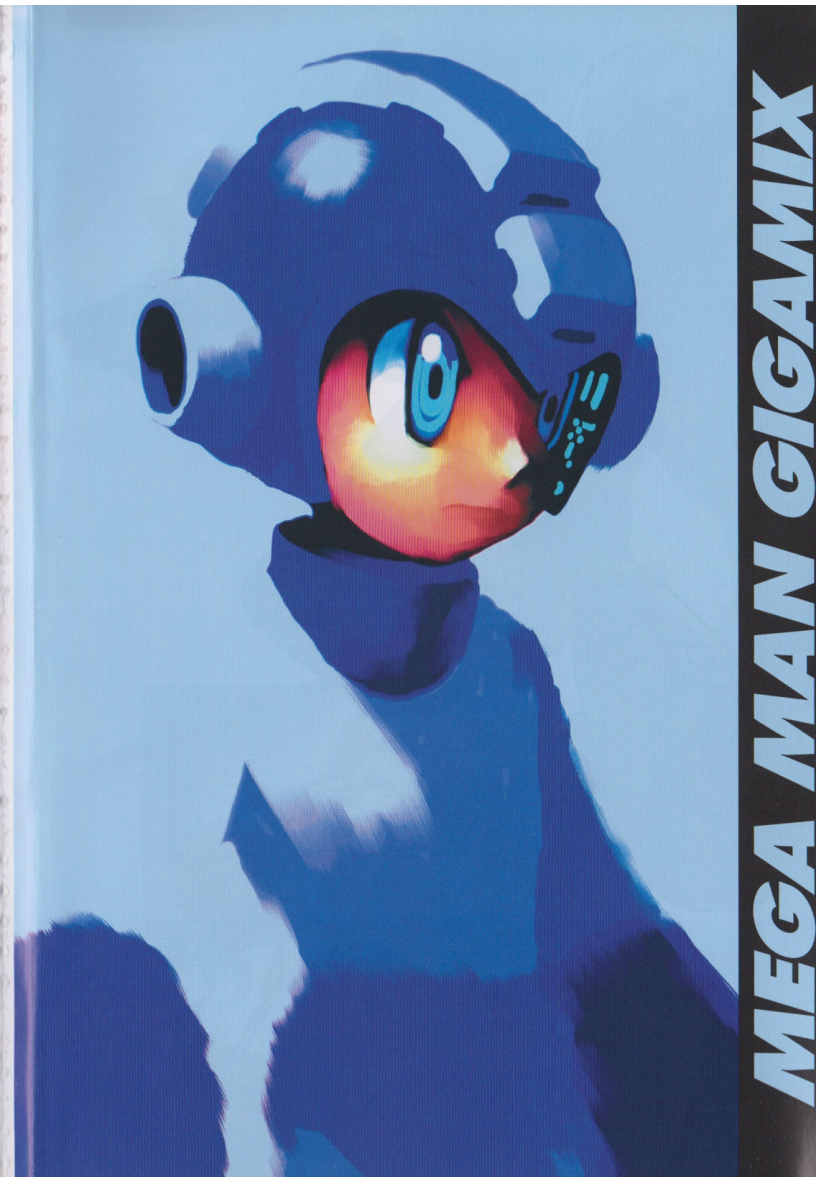






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R DESTRUCTION ORDER

Despite being released from Dr. Wily's control, the public demanded the destruction of the six Light Numbers who were considered responsible for all of the destruction that had befallen the city. Having refused to accept this judgment, Mega Man was headed to the robot destruction facility where the Light Numbers were being held when he was ambushed by Wily Numbers. With Mega Man successfully detained from his rescue mission, the Light Numbers were instead released from their bonds by Dr. Wily's Wood Man. In return for their freedom, Wood Man informed the Light Numbers that they were to swear fealty to Dr. Wily from that point forward. Meanwhile, Dr. Wily had declared war on the entire world. In order to save the world from Dr. Wily's scheme, Mega Man headed for the ambitious scientist's home base, aided by the new invention Item 2 provided by Dr. Light.



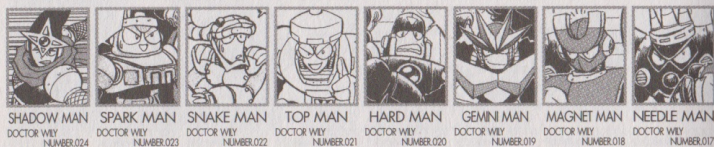
DR. WILY

METAL HEART

Dr. Light, Mega Man and friends were invited to the inauguration ceremony for the third generation Mother Computer. During the ceremony, Yellow Devil Mk-II, one of Dr. Wily's larger robots, began rampaging through the city. Mega Man departed to try and put a stop to the destruction, but ran into a team of Wily Numbers before reaching Yellow Devil Mk-II. Surprisingly, the Wily Numbers hadn't been sent to hinder Mega Man's efforts. As it turned out, the Wily Numbers were sent by Dr. Wily to subdue Yellow Devil Mk-II. With similar goals to unite them, Mega Man and the Wily Numbers agreed to forge a temporary alliance until Yellow Devil Mk-II's rampage was ended. What they later came to realize was that Yellow Devil Mk-II had a very specific reason for his seemingly vicious outburst.



YELLOW DEVIL MK-II



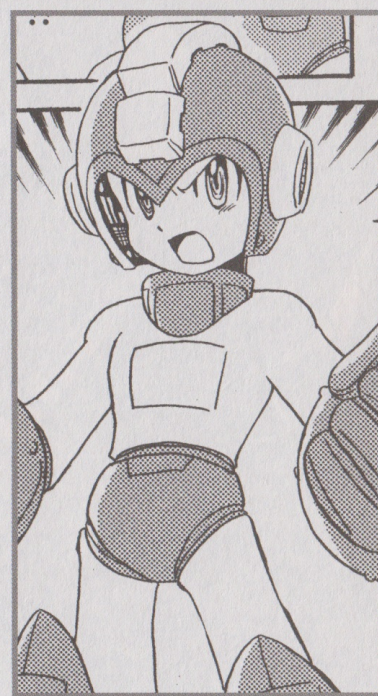
The story of MEGA MAN MEGAMIX

IN THE YEAR 20XX,
THE WORLD IS A PLACE
WHERE HUMANS AND
ROBOTS LIVE SIDE BY SIDE.

ADVANCEMENTS IN SCIENCE
HAVE PRODUCED
HUMANOID MACHINES
WITH SOULS.

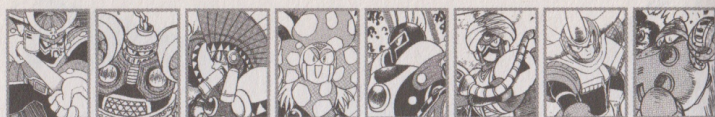
THE BIRTH OF MEGA MAN

Rock used to be a household helper robot enjoying a peaceful life with Dr. Light, his creator and the leading scientist in the field of robotics. One day, industrial robots in various regions started behaving in a violent and erratic manner. Dr. Light immediately began looking into the possible causes for this robotic chaos, and soon discovered that the six "Light Numbers" robots that he had created himself were the ones sending out commands to the affected robots. Knowing that it would mean fighting his own brothers, Rock took it upon himself to have Dr. Light convert him into a combat robot. This is how the combat robot "Mega Man" was born... but will it be enough!?



MEGA MAN (ROCK)
DOCTOR LIGHT NUMBER.001

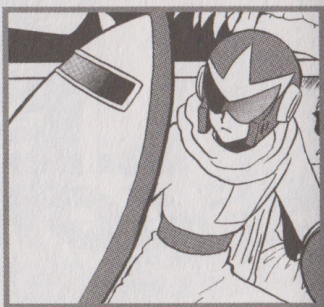




YAMATO MAN MR. X NUMBER.048 WIND MAN MR. X NUMBER.047 TOMAHAWK MAN MR. X NUMBER.046 PLANT MAN MR. X NUMBER.045 KNIGHT MAN MR. X NUMBER.044 FLAME MAN MR. X NUMBER.043 CENTAUR MAN MR. X NUMBER.042 BUZZARD MAN MR. X NUMBER.041

POWER BATTLE

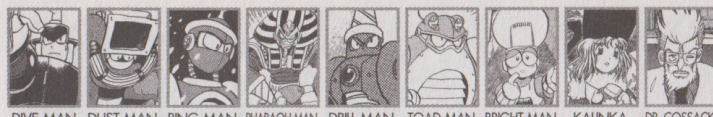
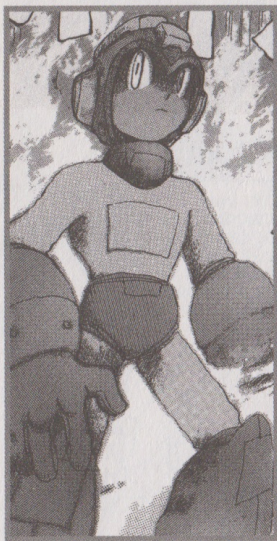
Out of sheer coincidence, Dark Man and a few others randomly spotted Roll out on the town. Since Mega Man wasn't accompanying her, Dark Man's little band felt that this was their best chance to capture Roll and offer her up as a prize to Dr. Wily in exchange for greater rank and prestige among the Wily Numbers. Cornered in a dark alley, the terrified Roll could scarcely believe her eyes when Bass arrived to rescue her from the clutches of Dark Man's crew. It wasn't until after he had successfully rescued Roll that Bass realized how such a valuable hostage may work in his favor. Before Roll had time to breathe a sigh of relief, she was a victim once again; this time as a captive of Bass. Once Mega Man received news of Roll's abduction, he realized he had no choice but to accept Bass's invitation to the battlefield.



PROTO MAN
DOCTOR LIGHT NUMBER.000

THE GREATEST ENEMY IN HISTORY

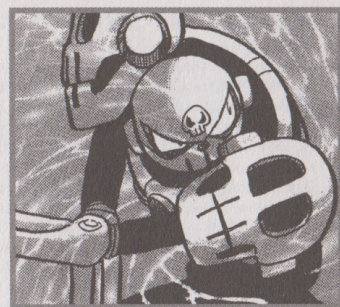
A year had passed since the founding of the World Robot Alliance (WRA). In hopes of preventing any future attempts at world domination by Dr. Wily, the WRA commissioned robotic engineers from all over the world to create robots of peace that could defend against potential attacks. In order to display the results of their efforts to the world, the WRA decided to hold a robot tournament. During the tournament, the chairman of the WRA, a man known only as Mr. X, announced that he would be using these new robots of peace to take over the world, and revealed himself to be none other than the infamous Dr. Wily. Once again, it fell to Mega Man to put an end to Dr. Wily's dark ambitions. Upon realizing that his plans had been thwarted yet again, Dr. Wily begged Mega Man for mercy. Surprisingly, Mega Man's response was to fire his Mega Buster into Dr. Wily at point blank range, without a hint of hesitation. As the body fell to the floor, it became apparent that it was nothing more than a decoy robot created to look like Dr. Wily. The real Dr. Wily, who had been watching the entire encounter on a monitor, was momentarily taken aback by Mega Man's merciless actions, but as a dark understanding dawned on him, Dr. Wily's mouth twisted up into a sinister grin. It wasn't long after peace had once again been restored to the world that Dr. Light was suddenly arrested. As it turned out, Mega Man had inexplicably announced that he would annihilate the entire human race. No one could explain why Mega Man would threaten the humans he had fought so hard to protect, and the truth that was eventually revealed shook everyone to the core.



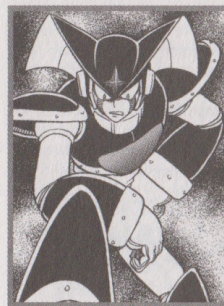
DIVE MAN DOCTOR COSSACK NUMBER.031 DUST MAN DOCTOR COSSACK NUMBER.030 RING MAN DOCTOR COSSACK NUMBER.029 PHARAOH MAN DOCTOR COSSACK NUMBER.028 DRILL MAN DOCTOR COSSACK NUMBER.027 TOAD MAN DOCTOR COSSACK NUMBER.026 BRIGHT MAN DOCTOR COSSACK NUMBER.025 KALINKA DR. COSSACK

GRIM REAPER OF RESURRECTION

With his beloved daughter Kalinka held hostage by the devious Dr. Wily, Dr. Cossack was forced into helping Dr. Wily until Mega Man was able to once again save the day. Afterward, Dr. Cossack was seen on television being interviewed about a bestselling book that he had written when a mysterious robot barged into the studio and abducted the celebrity scientist. Mega Man and his friends barely had time to comprehend the crime they had just witnessed on live television when a beaten and battered Ring Man arrived on their doorstep, bringing dire news of an attack on Dr. Cossack's laboratory. Mega Man and Roll immediately set out to see if they could find out who was behind both the attack and the abduction.



SKULL MAN
DOCTOR COSSACK NUMBER.032



BASS
SPECIAL WILY NUMBER

WARRIOR'S DAY OFF

Cut Man and his friends were on their way home from work when they noticed Dark Man trying to commit a crime. The Light Numbers rushed over to try and stop Dark Man, but were beaten to the punch by a mysterious figure in a dark coat. To add to the confusion, an unidentified robot burst onto the scene accompanied by a wolf robot, and proceeded to challenge the mysterious figure to a fight. Dismissing the newcomer's challenge, the mysterious figure departed the scene. A few days later, Mega Man and his friends arrived at an amusement park, hoping to enjoy a fun day off from their usual duties, but were surprised to find that the Wily Numbers were already there. Stranger still was the fact that the Wily Numbers were not there to cause trouble, and instead seemed to be working at the amusement park. Despite their suspicions regarding the Wily Numbers' intentions, Mega Man and his friends attempted to enjoy the numerous attractions at the park until the unidentified robot Cut Man and the others had encountered a few days prior disrupted their fun. Introducing himself as Bass, the unfamiliar robot declared himself to be the strongest robot in the world, and proceeded to challenge Mega Man to a fight.



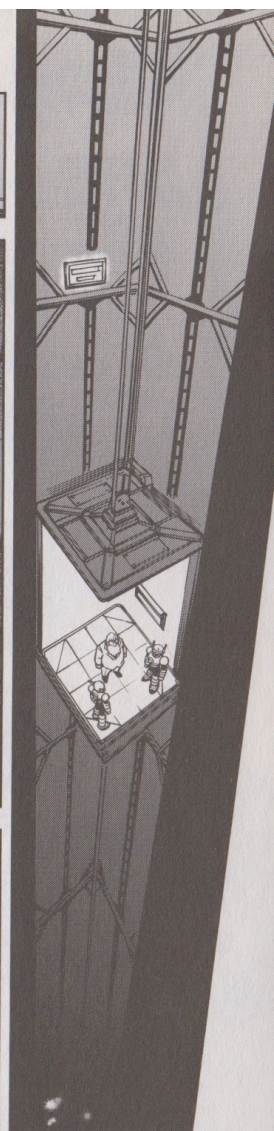
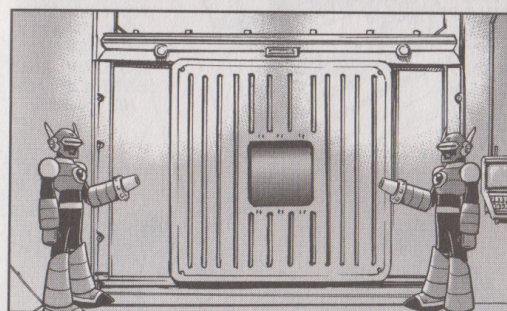
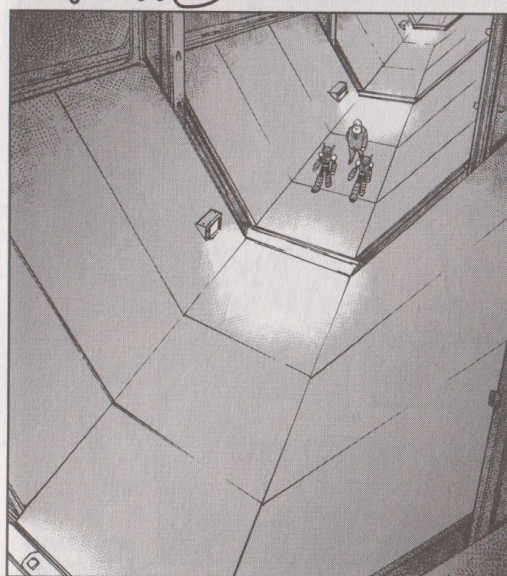
CRYSTAL MAN DOCTOR WILY NUMBER.040 NAPALM MAN DOCTOR WILY NUMBER.039 CHARGE MAN DOCTOR WILY NUMBER.038 STAR MAN DOCTOR WILY NUMBER.037 GYRO MAN DOCTOR WILY NUMBER.036 STONE MAN DOCTOR WILY NUMBER.035 WAVE MAN DOCTOR WILY NUMBER.034 GRAVITY MAN DOCTOR WILY NUMBER.033

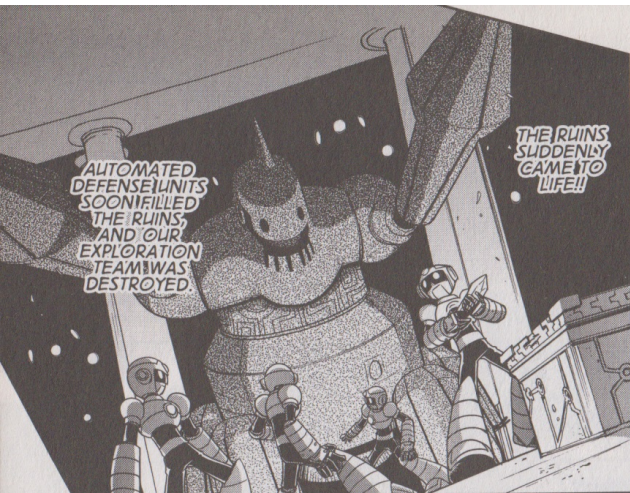


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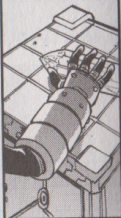




AUTOMATED DEFENSE UNITS SOON FILLED THE RUINS, AND OUR EXPLORATION TEAM WAS DESTROYED.

THE RUINS SUDDENLY CAME TO LIFE!!

THE MOMENT AN EXPLORATION ROBOT TOOK THE CRYSTAL FROM THE ALTAR, HOWEVER...



FOUR MONTHS LATER, THE CAPSULE ARRIVED.

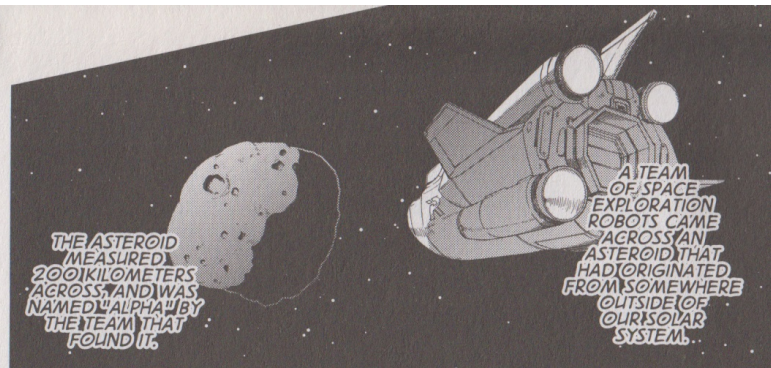
THE LAST SURVIVING ROBOT MANAGED TO PUT THE CRYSTAL AND SOME DATA INTO A SMALL CAPSULE, AND LAUNCH IT WITH COORDINATES LEADING IT BACK TO EARTH.



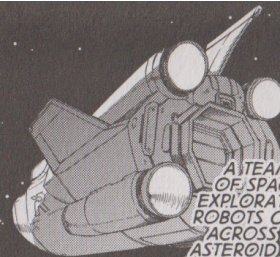
AS I SAID, THE CAPSULE THAT RETURNED TO EARTH WAS CARRYING THE CRYSTAL AND DATA REGARDING THE ASTEROID.

THAT'S A FASCINATING STORY, LIGHT, BUT I FAIL TO SEE WHAT IT HAS TO DO WITH ME.

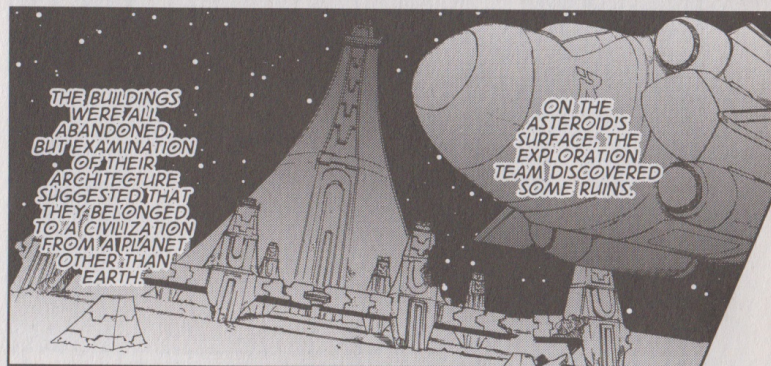
AN ALIEN CIVILIZATION AND A NEW ENERGY SOURCE...



THE ASTEROID MEASURED 200 KILOMETERS ACROSS, AND WAS NAMED "ALPHA" BY THE TEAM THAT FOUND IT.

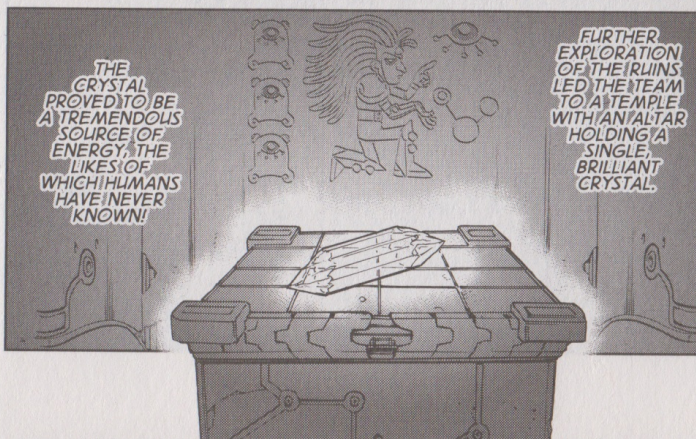


A TEAM OF SPACE EXPLORATION ROBOTS CAME ACROSS AN ASTEROID THAT HAD ORIGINATED FROM SOMEWHERE OUTSIDE OF OUR SOLAR SYSTEM.



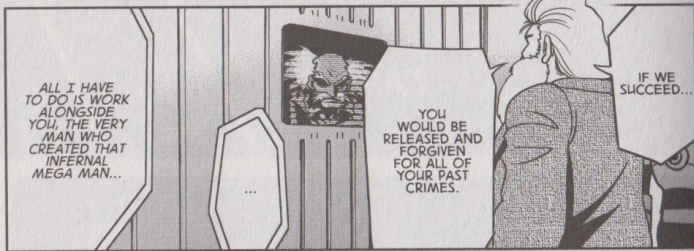
THE BUILDINGS WERE ALL ABANDONED, BUT EXAMINATION OF THEIR ARCHITECTURE SUGGESTED THAT THEY BELONGED TO A CIVILIZATION FROM A PLANET OTHER THAN EARTH.

ON THE ASTEROID'S SURFACE, THE EXPLORATION TEAM DISCOVERED SOME RUINS.



THE CRYSTAL PROVED TO BE A TREMENDOUS SOURCE OF ENERGY, THE LIKES OF WHICH HUMANS HAVE NEVER KNOWN!

FURTHER EXPLORATION OF THE RUINS LED THE TEAM TO A TEMPLE WITH AN ALTAR HOLDING A SINGLE, BRILLIANT CRYSTAL.



ALL I HAVE TO DO IS WORK ALONGSIDE YOU, THE VERY MAN WHO CREATED THAT INFERNAL MEGA MAN...

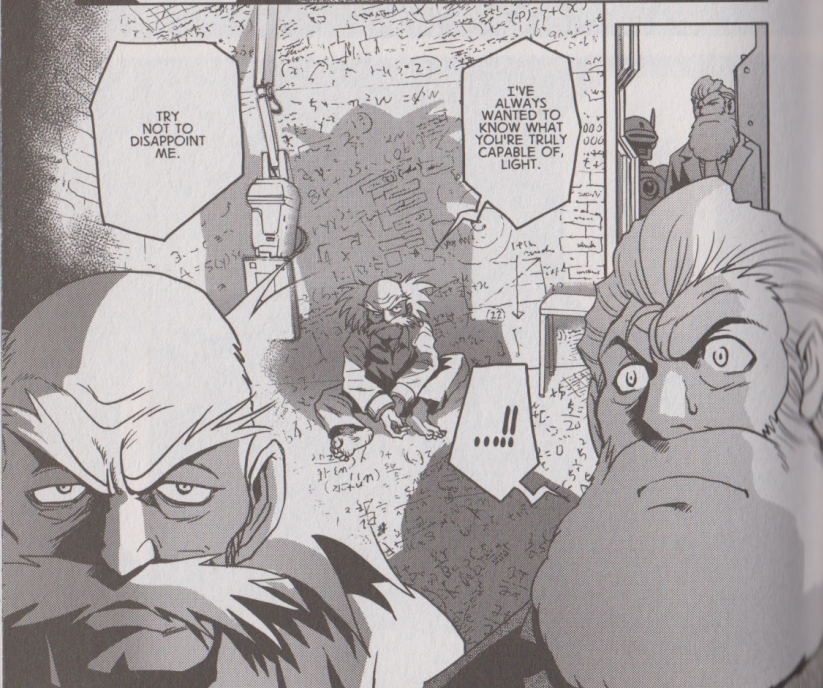
YOU WOULD BE RELEASED AND FORGIVEN FOR ALL OF YOUR PAST CRIMES.

IF WE SUCCEED...



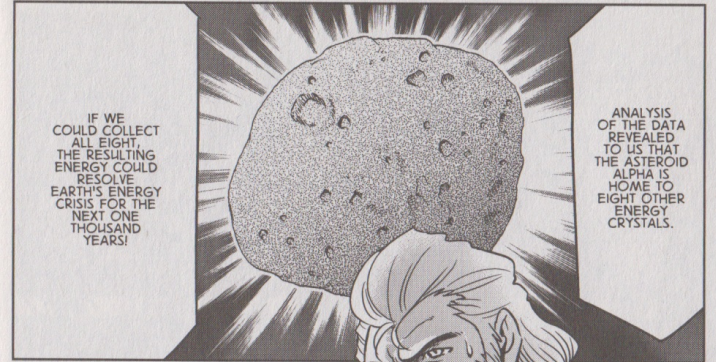
I WAS GETTING A LITTLE BORED OF MY GLAMOROUS LIFE HERE, ANYWAY.

VERY WELL, THEN...



TRY NOT TO DISAPPOINT ME.

I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TRULY CAPABLE OF, LIGHT.



IF WE COULD COLLECT ALL EIGHT, THE RESULTING ENERGY COULD RESOLVE EARTH'S ENERGY CRISIS FOR THE NEXT ONE THOUSAND YEARS!

ANALYSIS OF THE DATA REVEALED TO US THAT THE ASTEROID ALPHA IS HOME TO EIGHT OTHER ENERGY CRYSTALS.

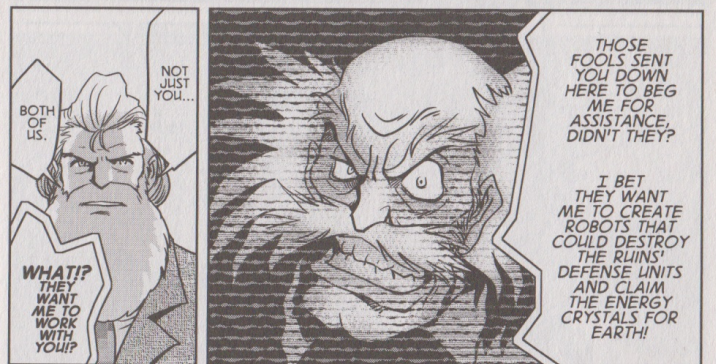


HEE HEE HEE

HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA!

I SEE! NOW I KNOW WHY YOU'RE HERE!!

THE WORLD GOVERNMENT HAS MADE THE DECISION TO GATHER ALL EIGHT ENERGY CRYSTALS, BUT...



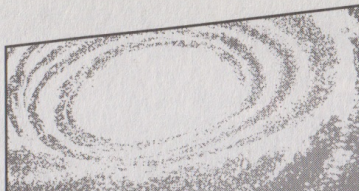
BOTH OF US.

NOT JUST YOU...

WHAT!? THEY WANT ME TO WORK WITH YOU!?

THOSE FOOLS SENT YOU DOWN HERE TO BEG ME FOR ASSISTANCE, DIDN'T THEY?

I BET THEY WANT ME TO CREATE ROBOTS THAT COULD DESTROY THE RUINS' DEFENSE UNITS AND CLAIM THE ENERGY CRYSTALS FOR EARTH!



CAPCOM

THE
JOURNEY
HAS BEEN
UNEVENTFUL,
AND MY
STATUS IS
NORMAL.

HITOSHI ARIGA
PRESENTS

WE ARE
STILL ON
COURSE, AS
PLANNED.

DESPITE
THEIR CONSTANT
YELLING, THEY
ARE MAKING
GREAT PROGRESS
ON THE GIANT
ROBOT KNOWN
AS "GAMMA."

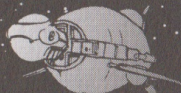
LOG ENTRY
RECORDED
BY DLN.OOL,
ROCK.

I DON'T
THINK THEY'RE
REALLY
FIGHTING.

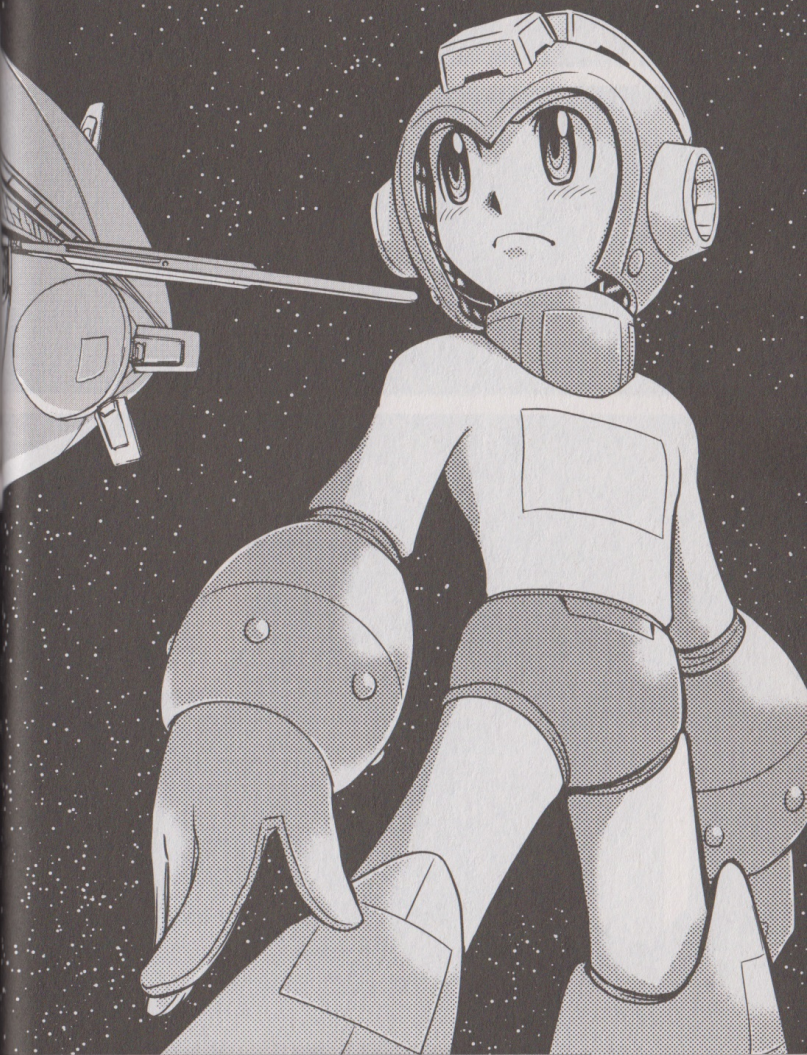
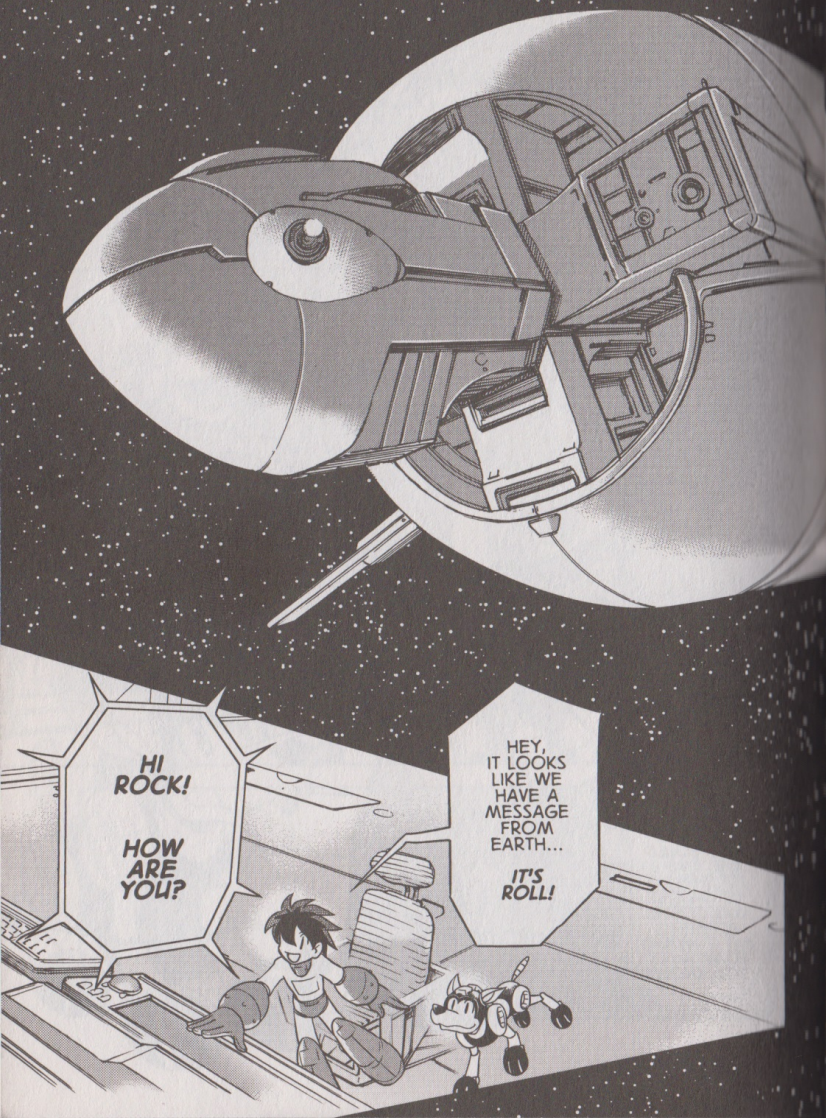
THEY'RE BOTH
JUST VERY
PASSIONATE
PEOPLE.

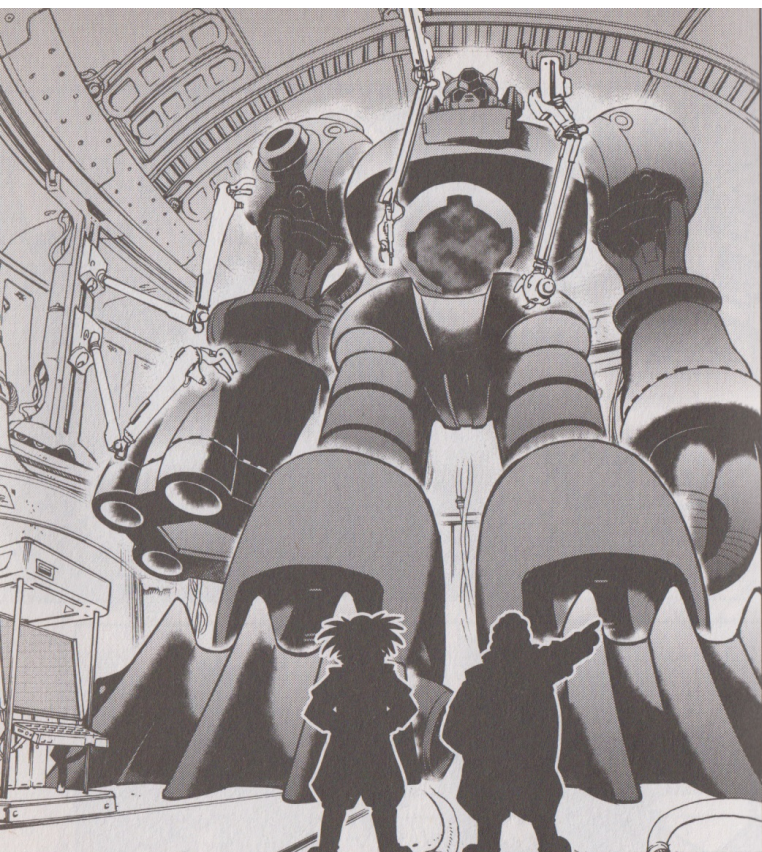
DR. LIGHT
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WILY ARGUE
A LOT,
BUT...

END
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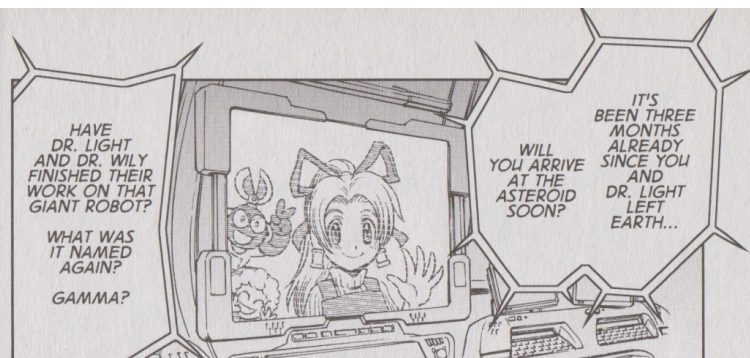
Asteroid Blues





WE
DID
IT...

WE STILL
HAVE TWO
MORE DAYS
BEFORE WE
MAKE CONTACT
WITH THE
ASTEROID
ALPHA.



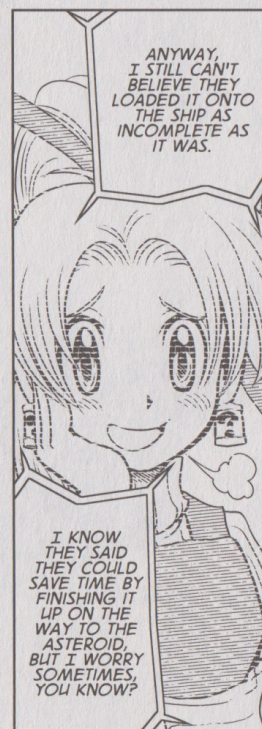
HAVE
DR. LIGHT
AND DR. WILY
FINISHED THEIR
WORK ON THAT
GIANT ROBOT?

WHAT WAS
IT NAMED
AGAIN?

GAMMA?

IT'S
BEEN THREE
MONTHS
ALREADY
SINCE YOU
AND
DR. LIGHT
LEFT
EARTH...

WILL
YOU ARRIVE
AT THE
ASTEROID
SOON?



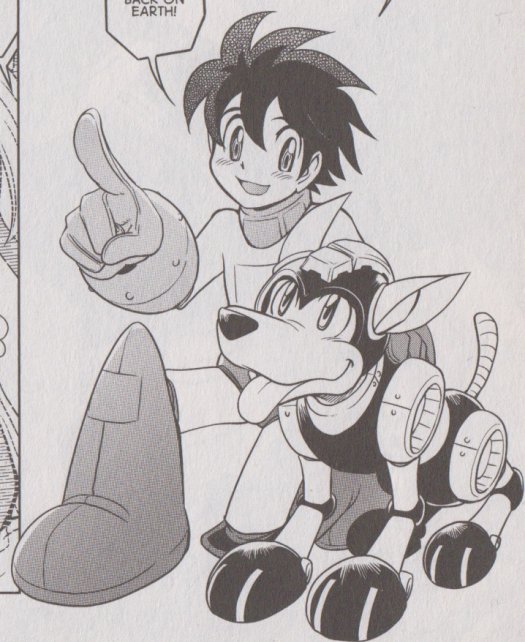
ANYWAY,
I STILL CAN'T
BELIEVE THEY
LOADED IT ONTO
THE SHIP AS
INCOMPLETE AS
IT WAS.

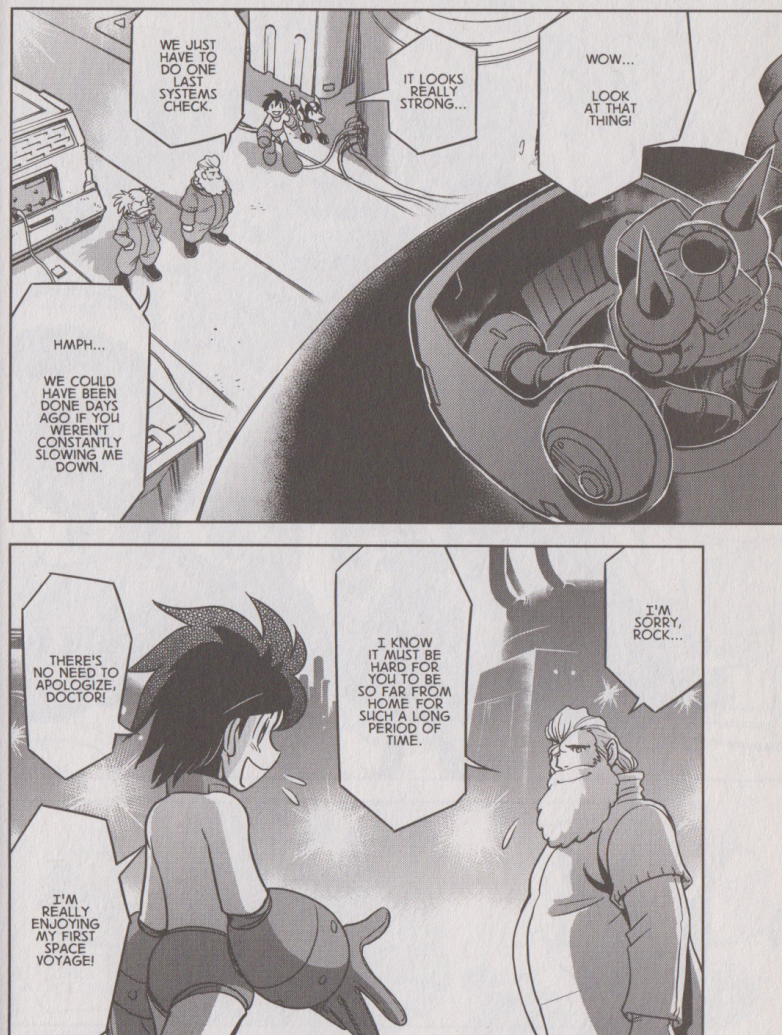
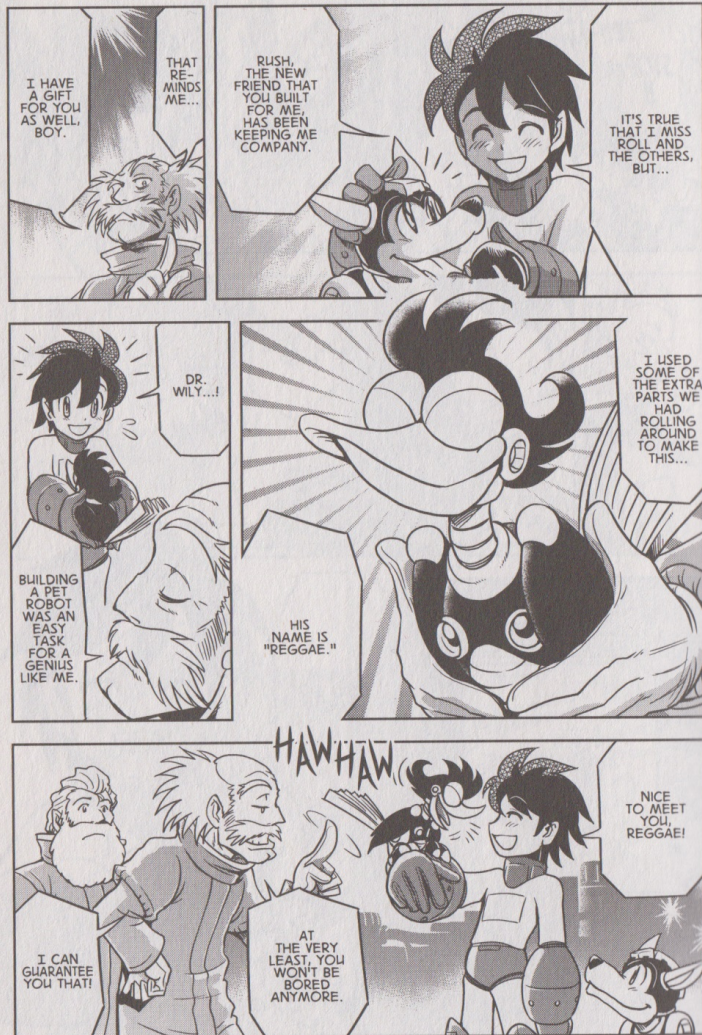
I KNOW
THEY SAID
THEY COULD
SAVE TIME BY
FINISHING IT
UP ON THE
WAY TO THE
ASTEROID.
BUT I WORRY
SOMETIMES,
YOU KNOW?

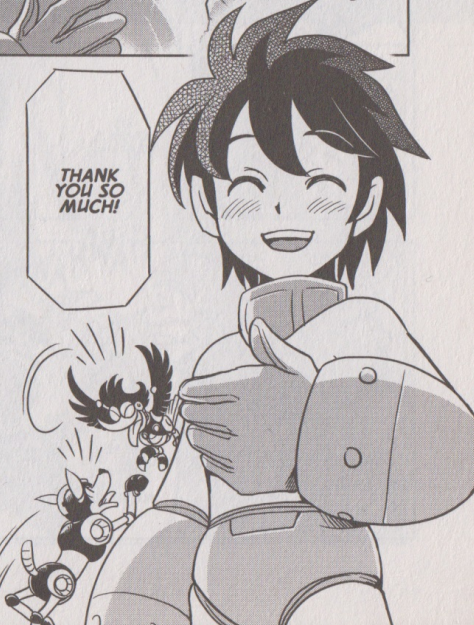
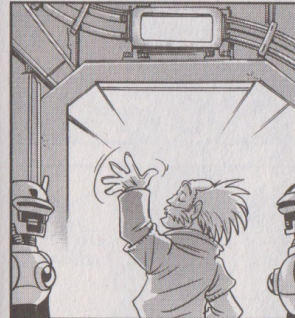
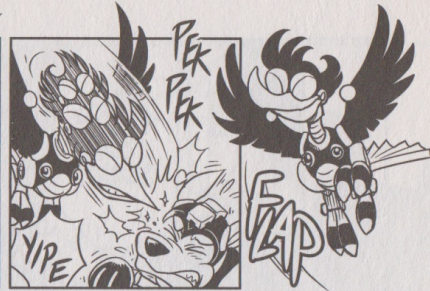
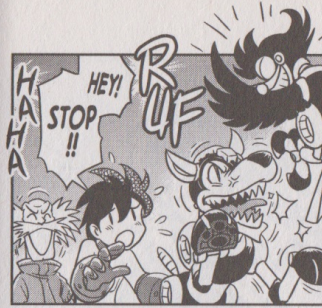
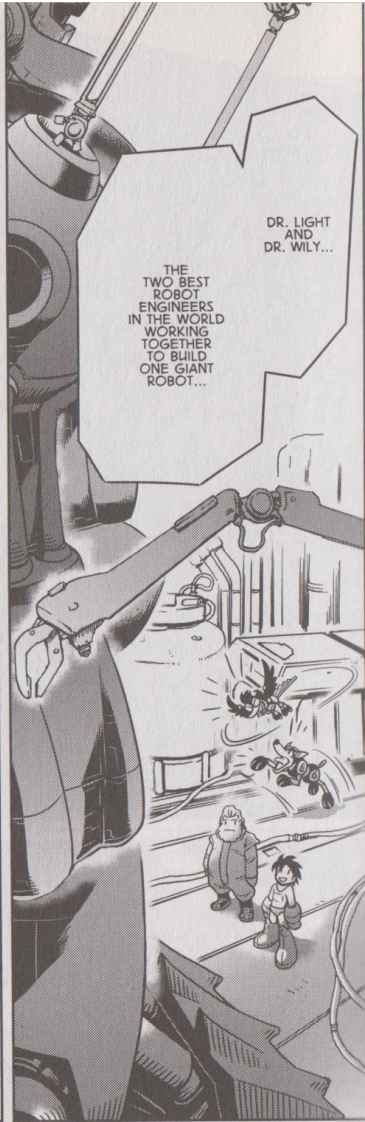
THAT'S
ROLL AND
THE
OTHERS...

THEY'RE
BACK ON
EARTH!

LOOK.
RUSH...

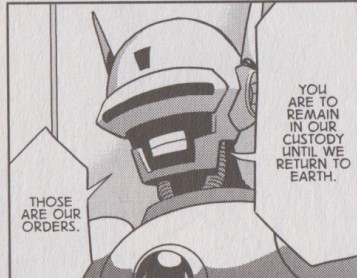






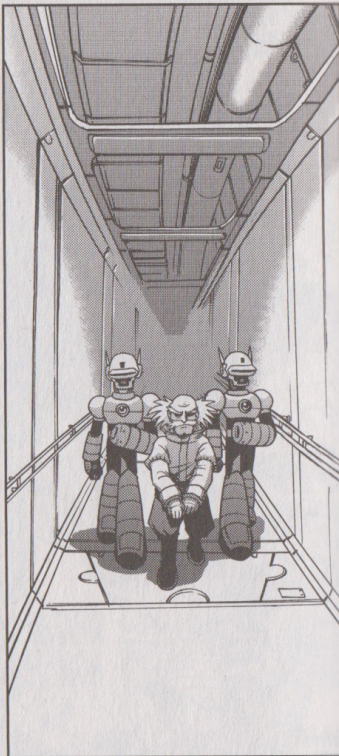


I THOUGHT
I WAS TO BE
FREED AFTER
FINISHING
MY WORK
ON GAMMA?



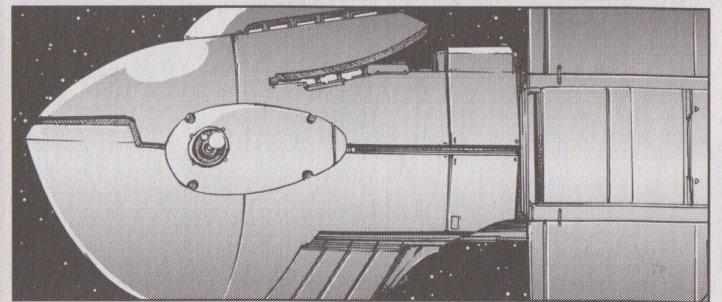
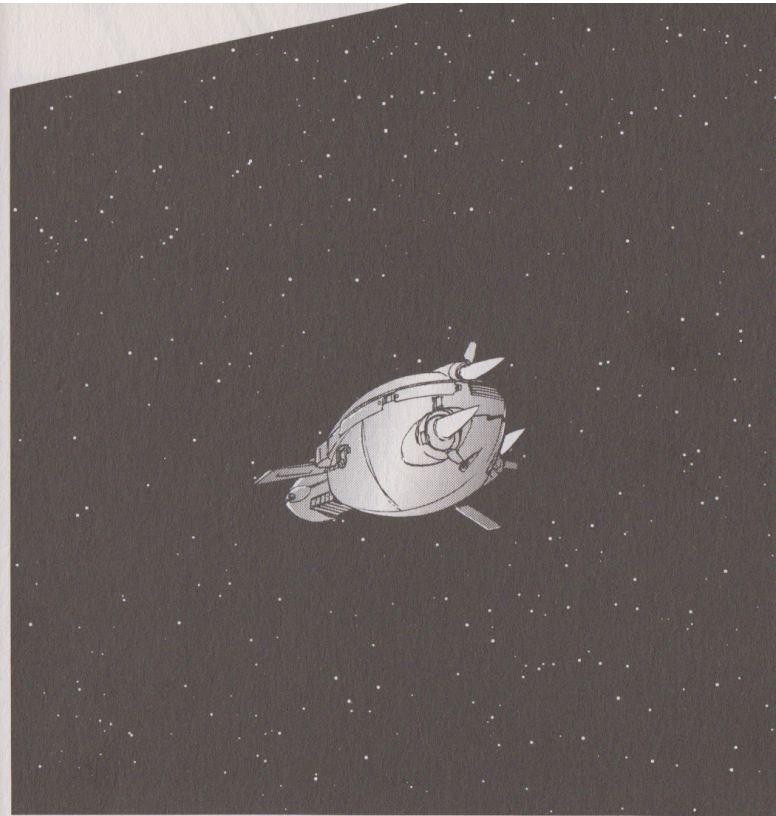
THOSE
ARE OUR
ORDERS.

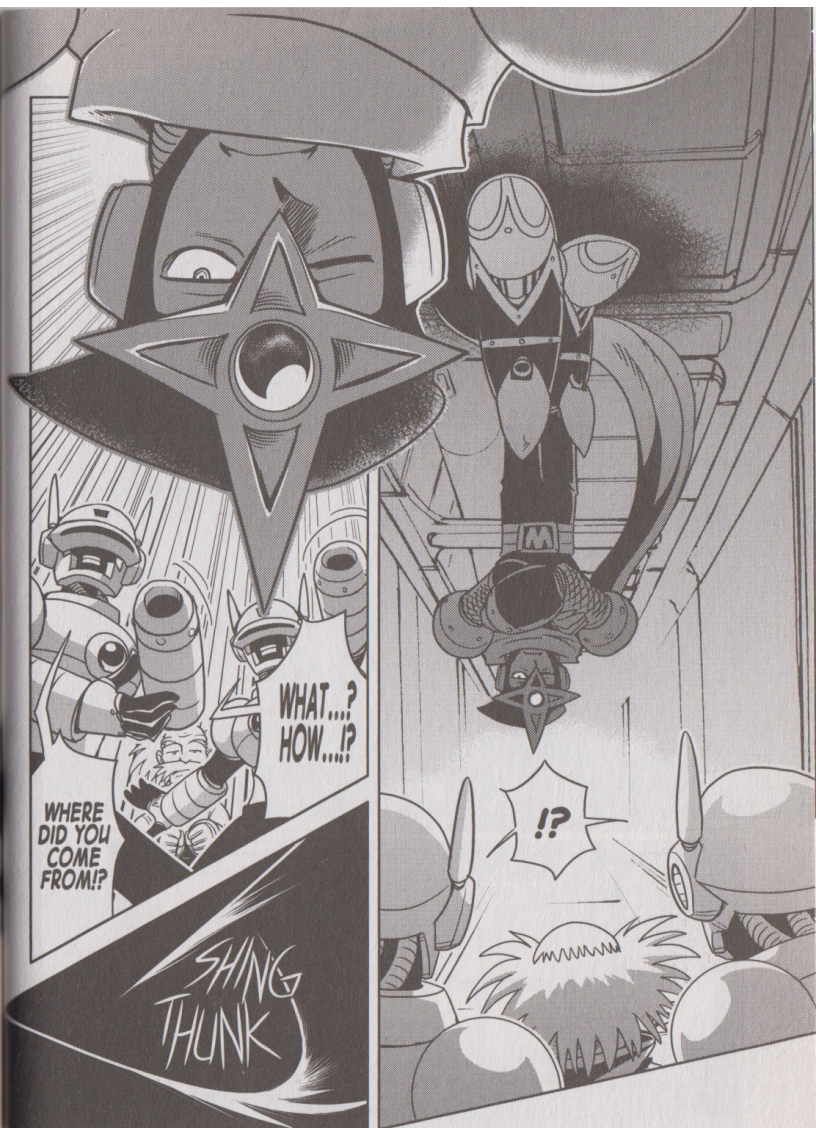
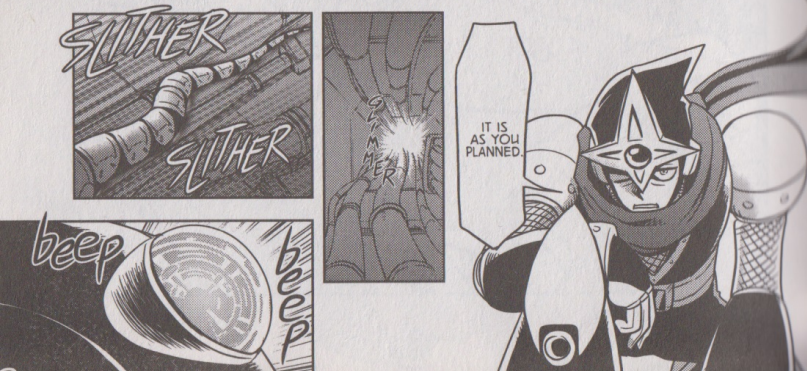
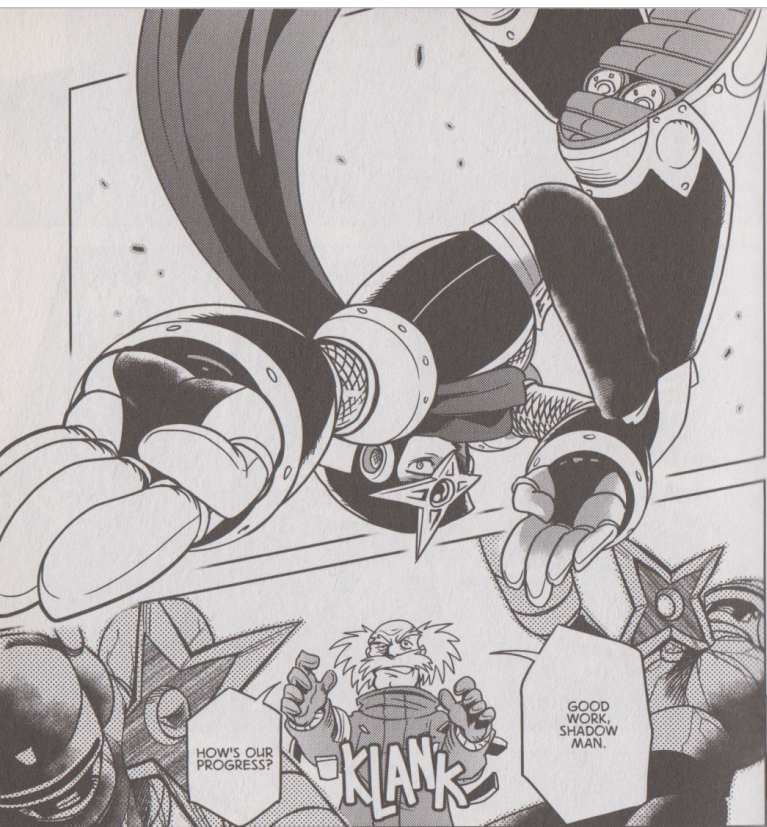
YOU
ARE TO
REMAIN
IN OUR
CUSTODY
UNTIL WE
RETURN TO
EARTH.

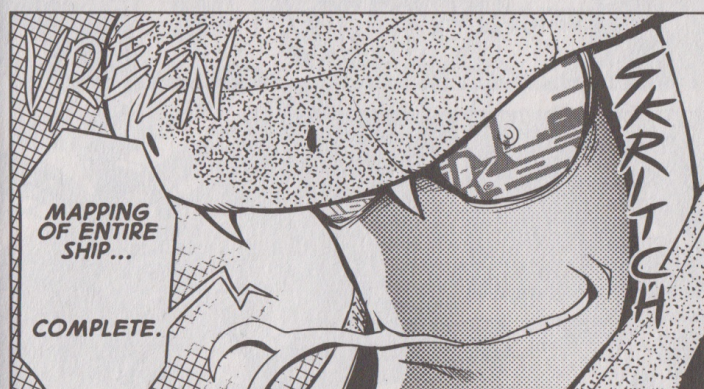
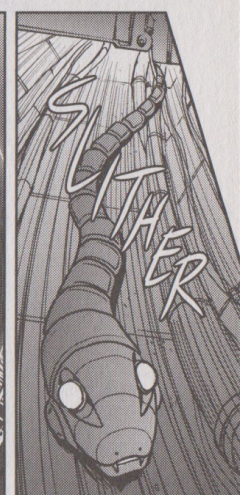
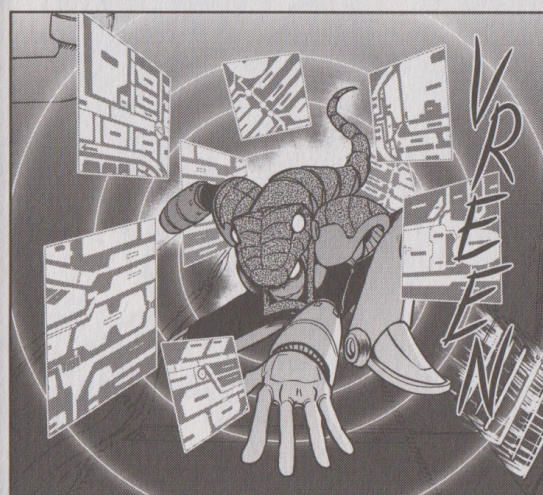
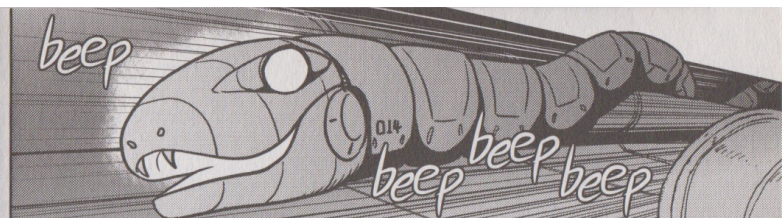
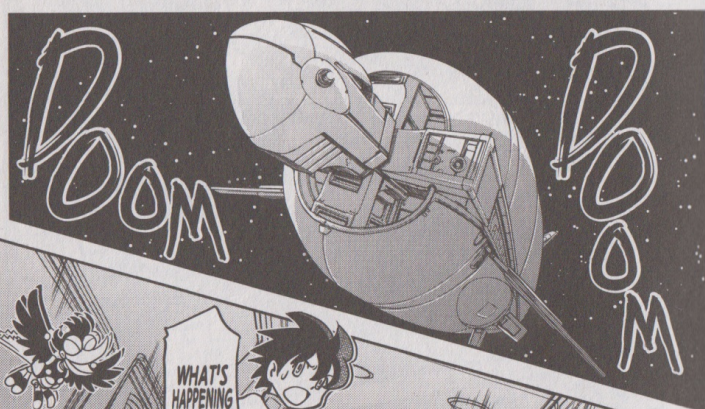
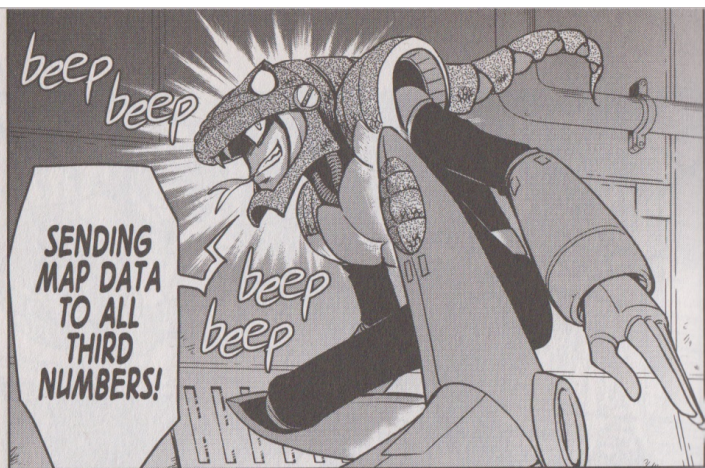


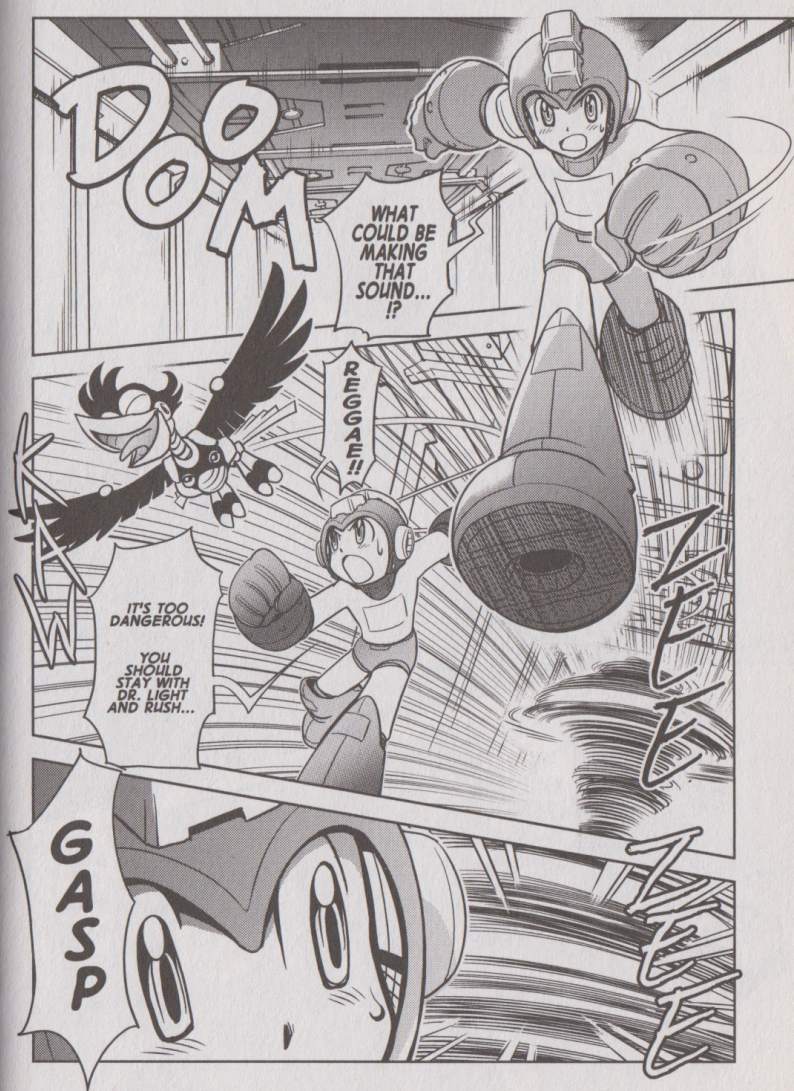
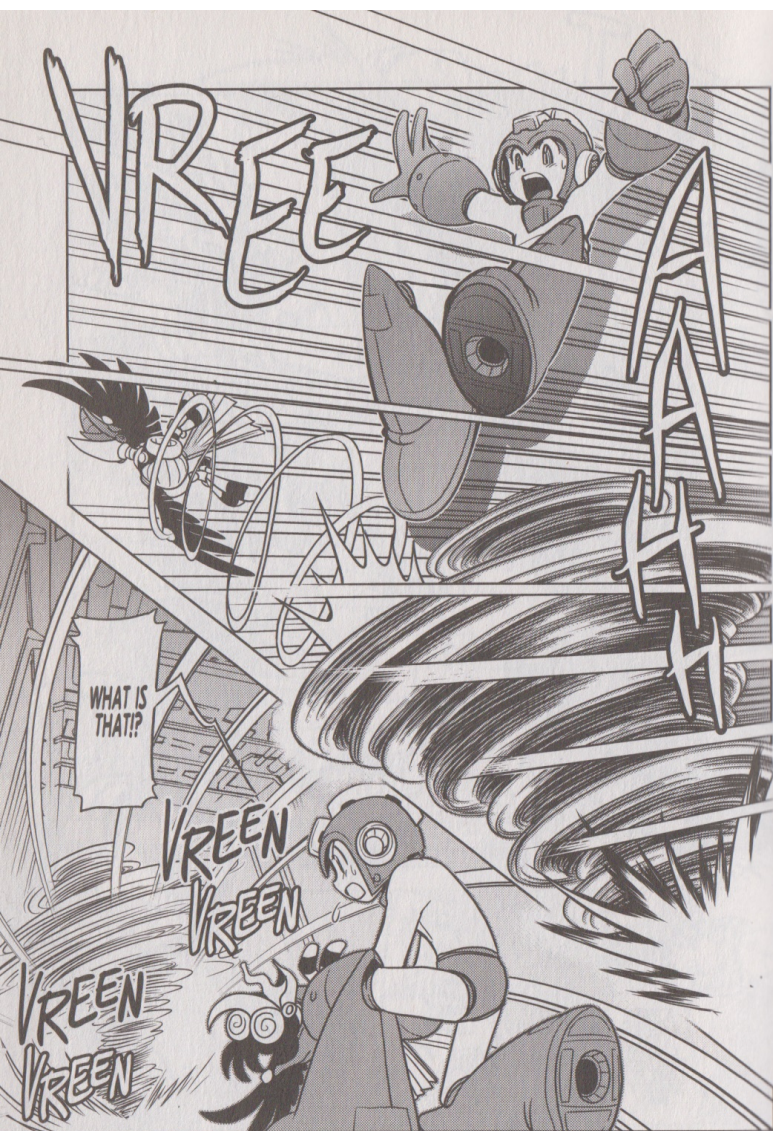
I GUESS
I'LL JUST
HAVE TO
FREE
MYSELF,
THEN.

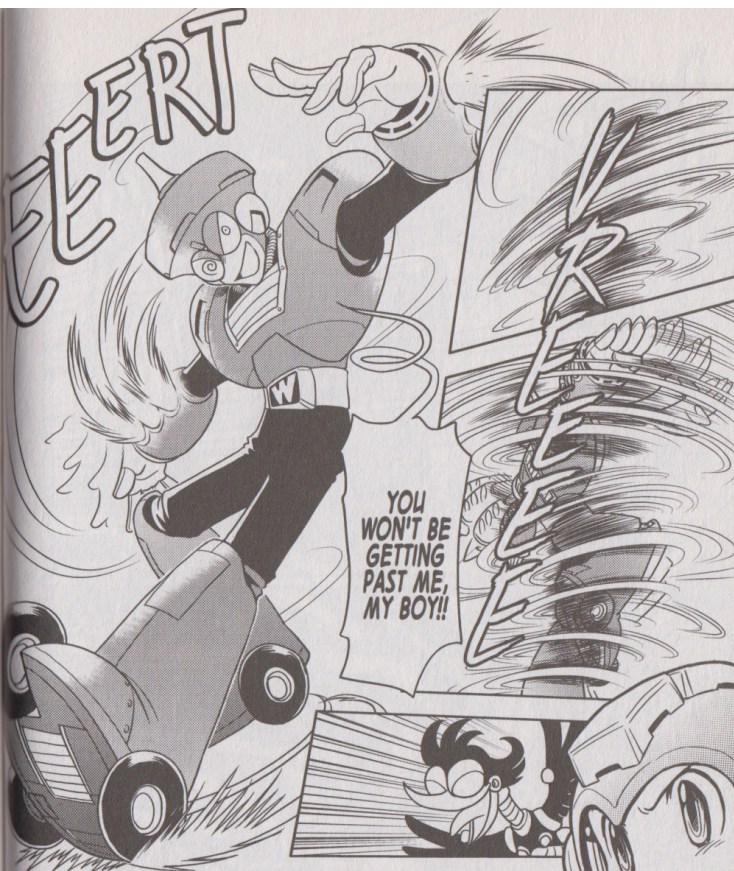
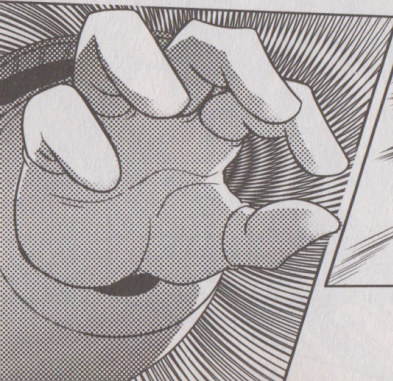
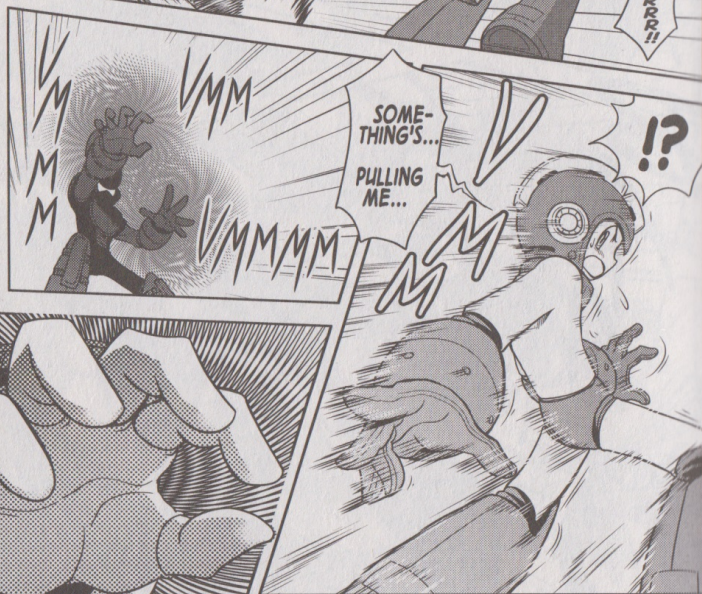
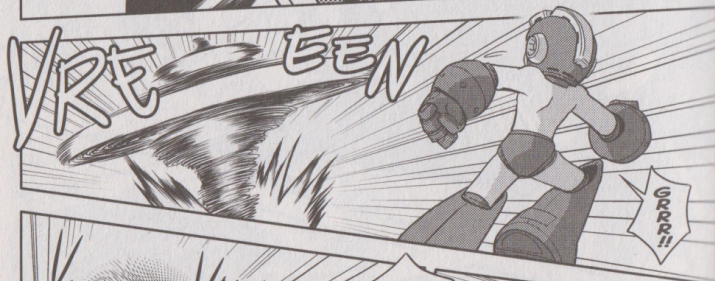
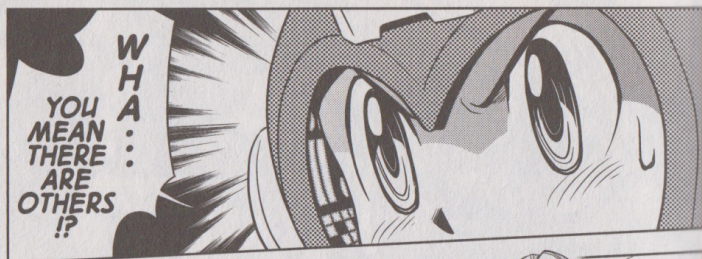
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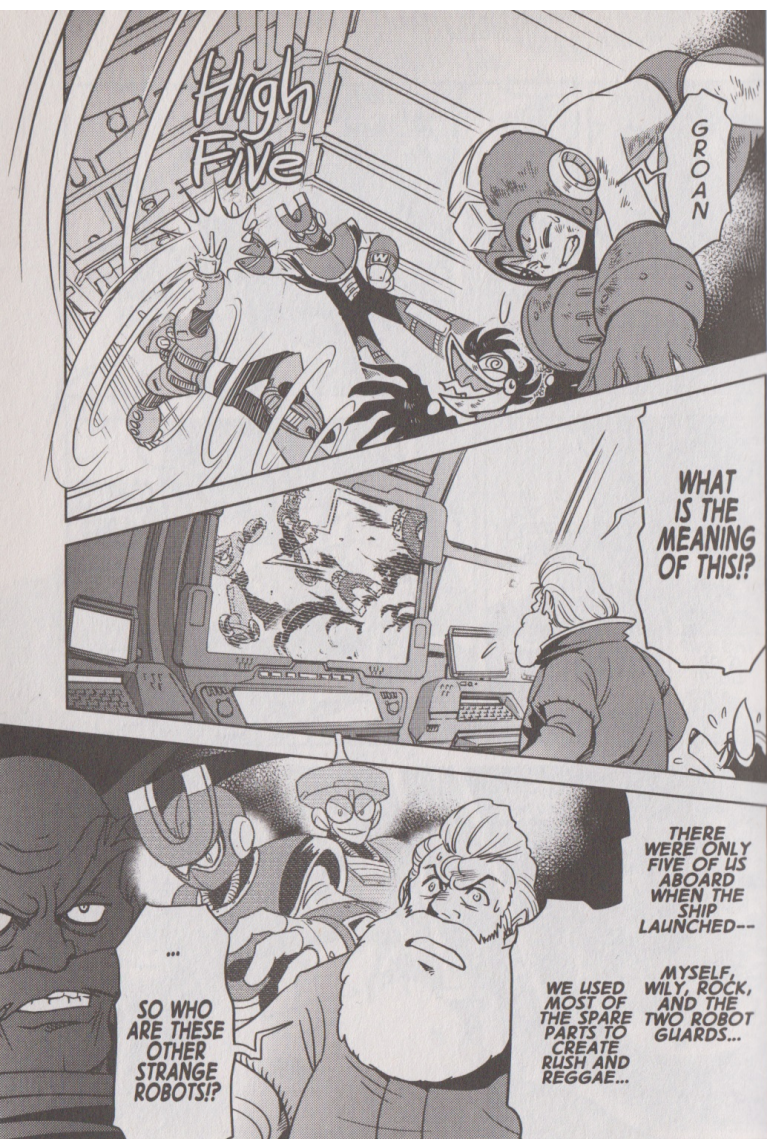


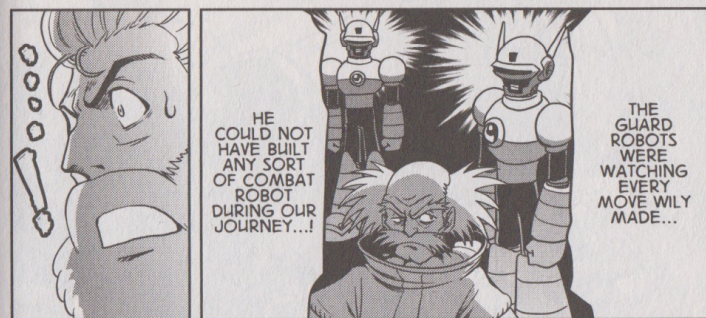


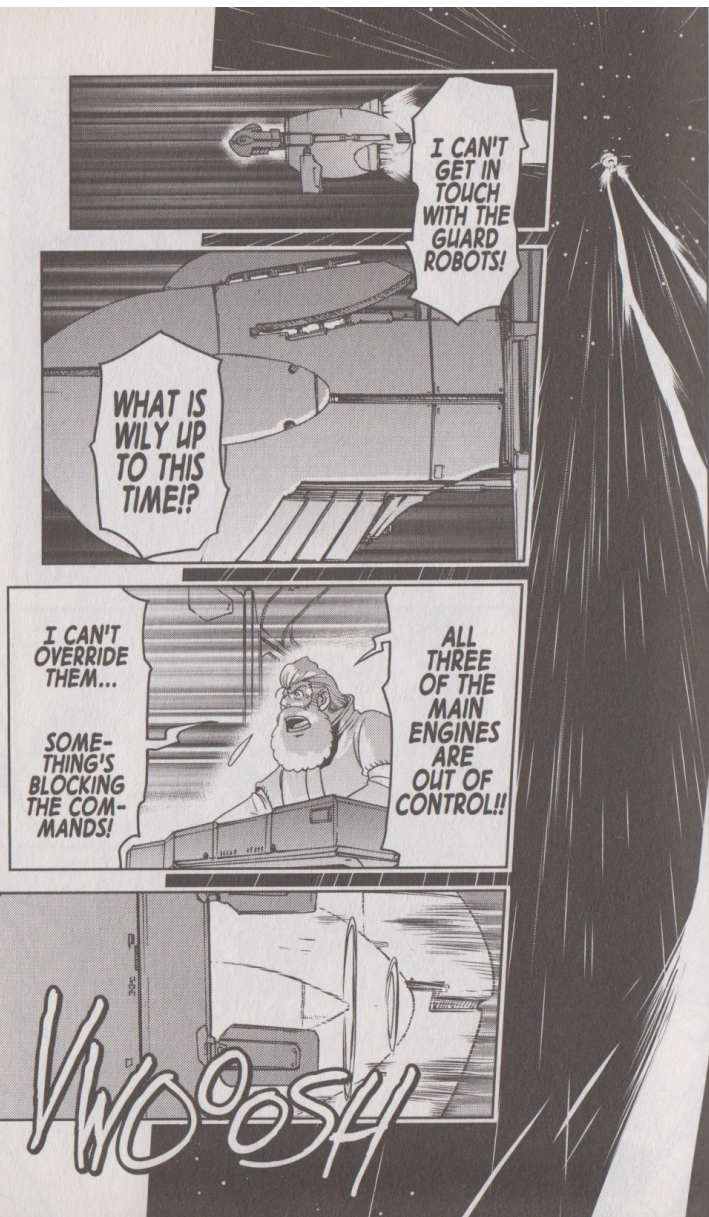


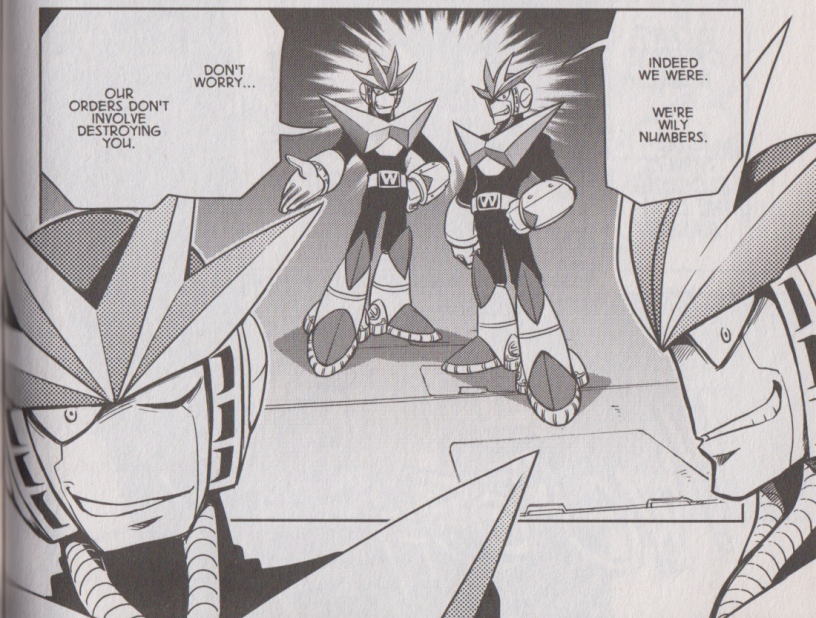
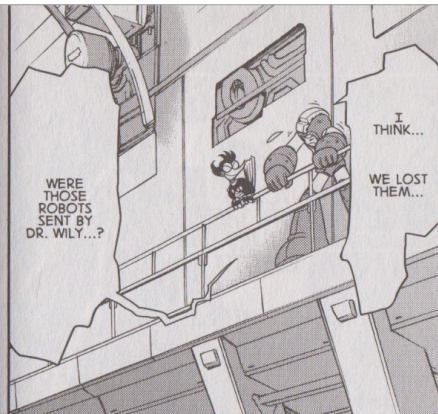
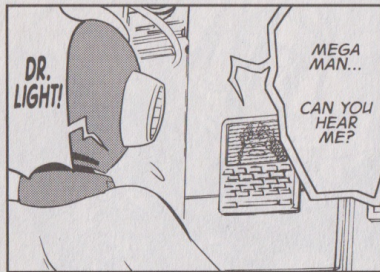
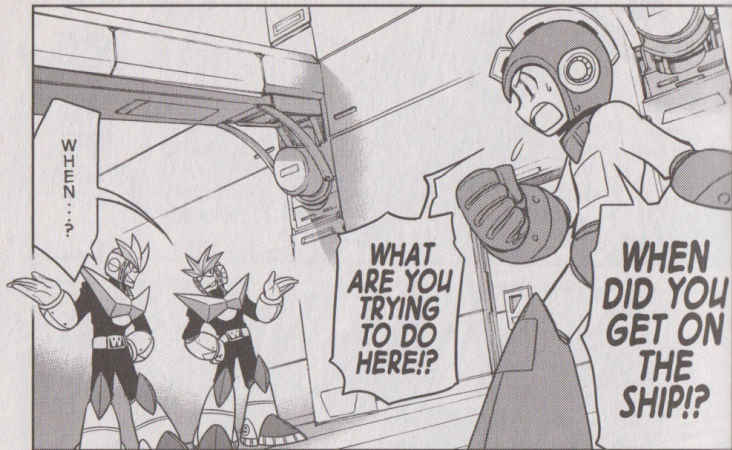


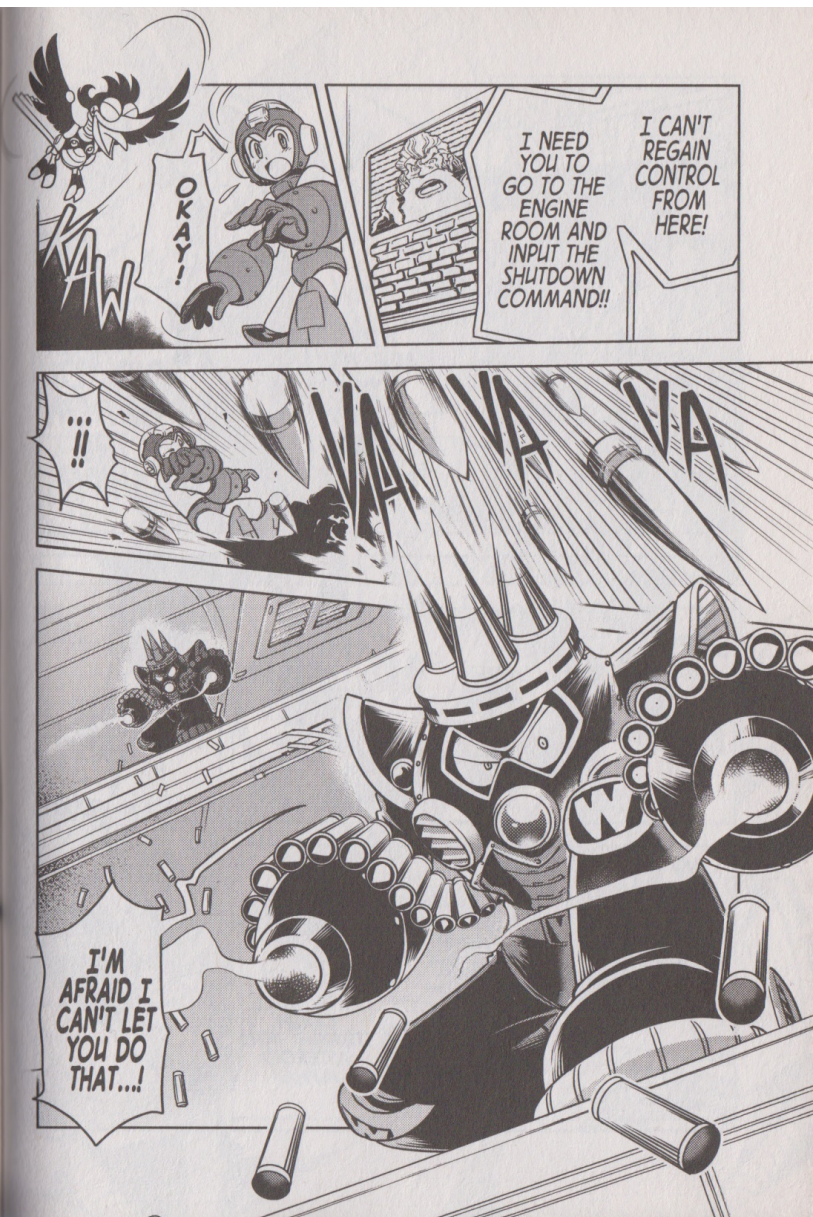
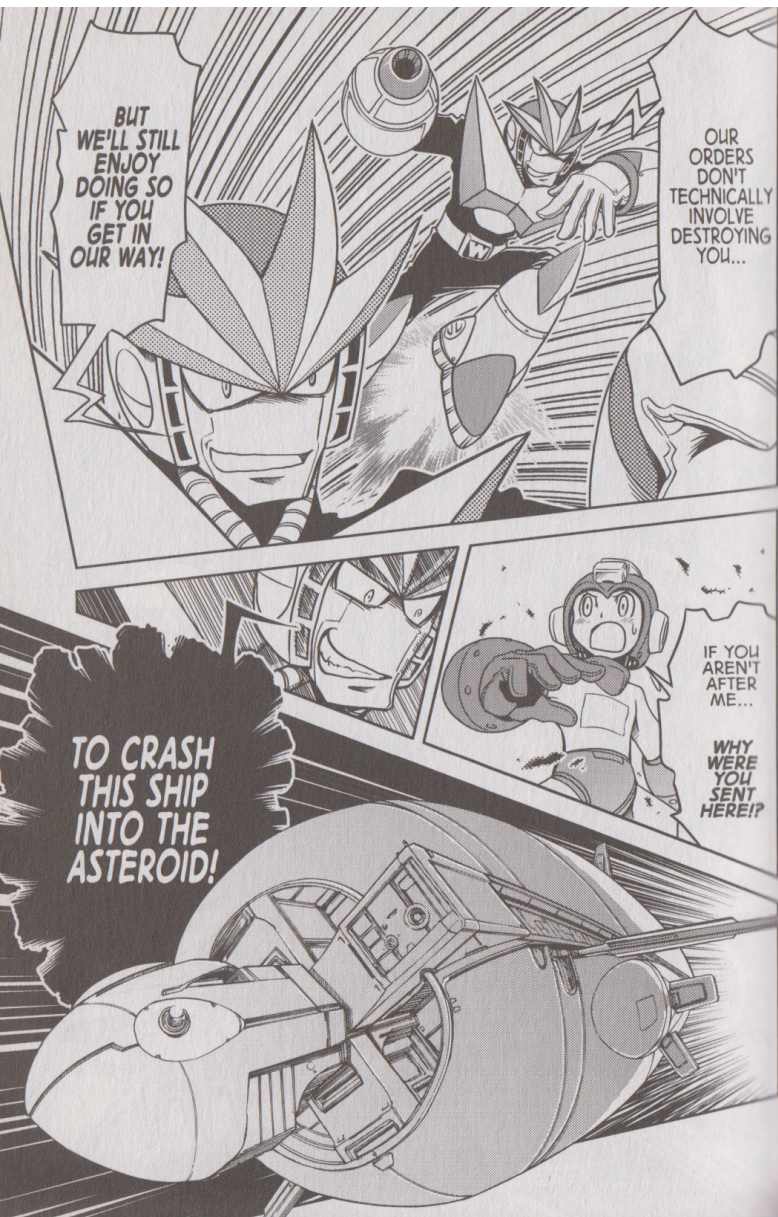


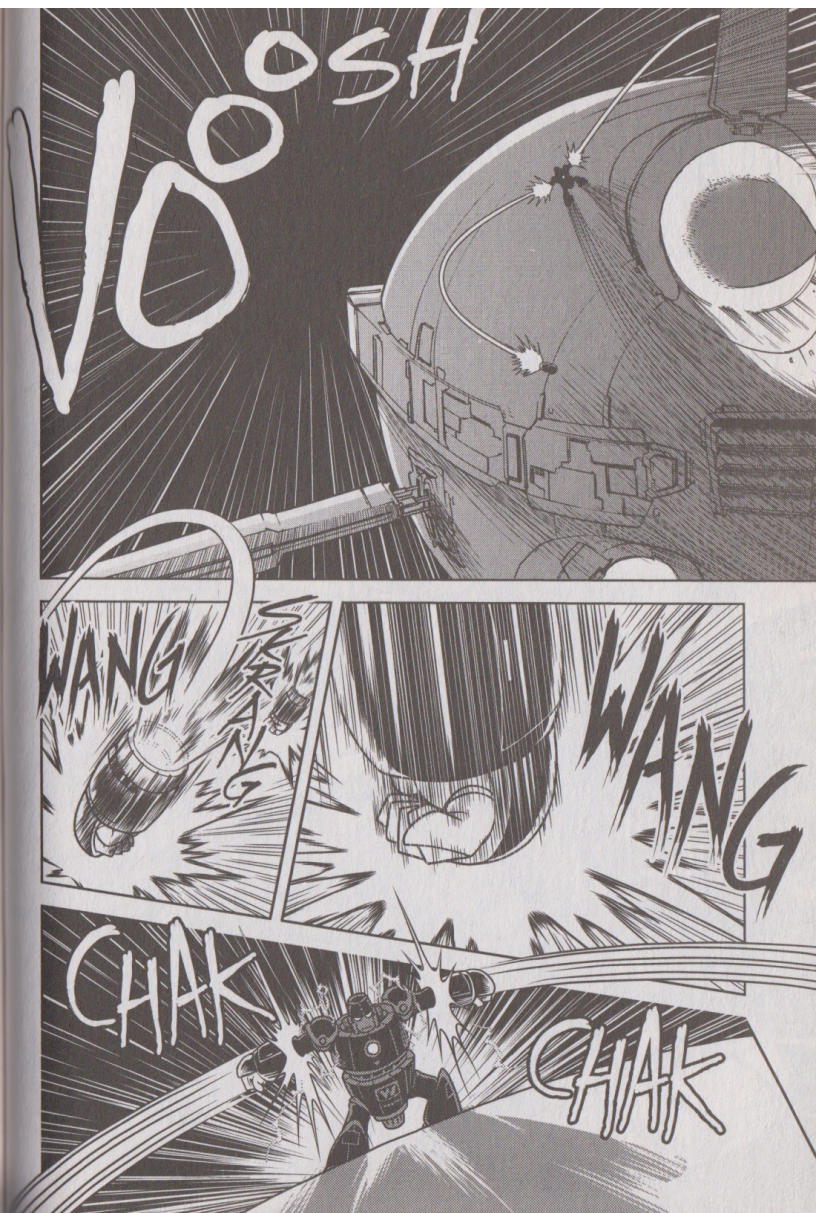
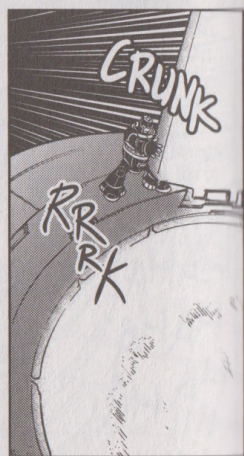
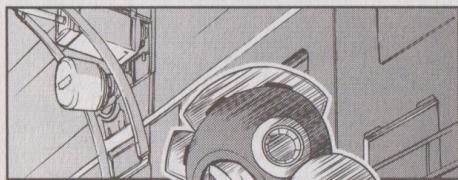
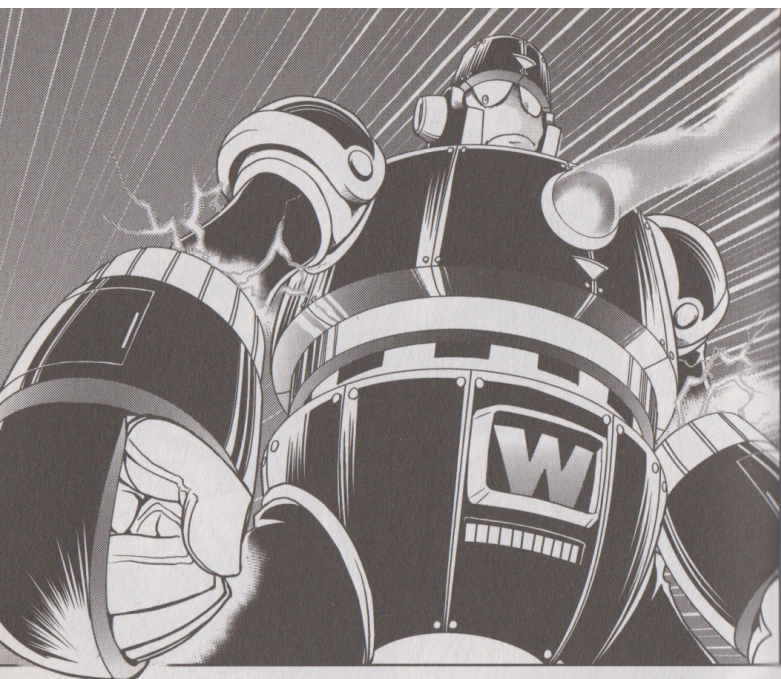


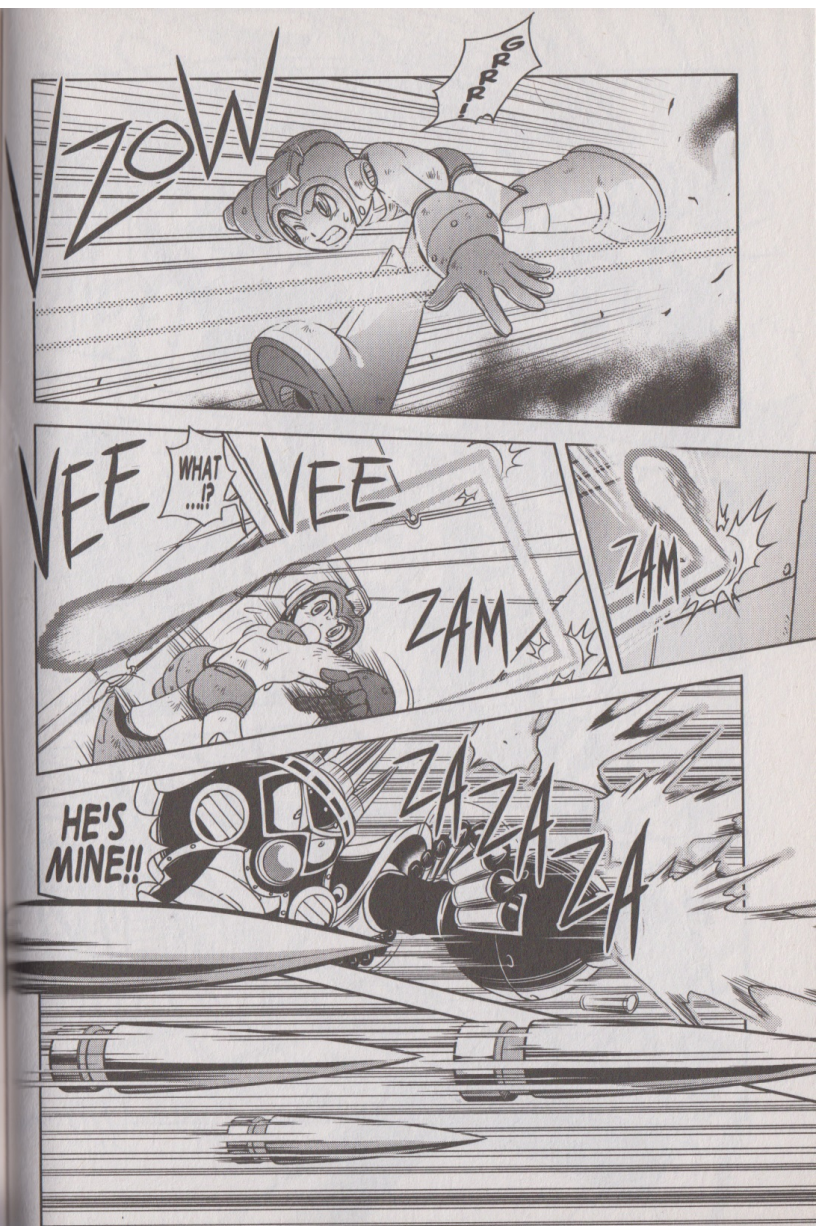


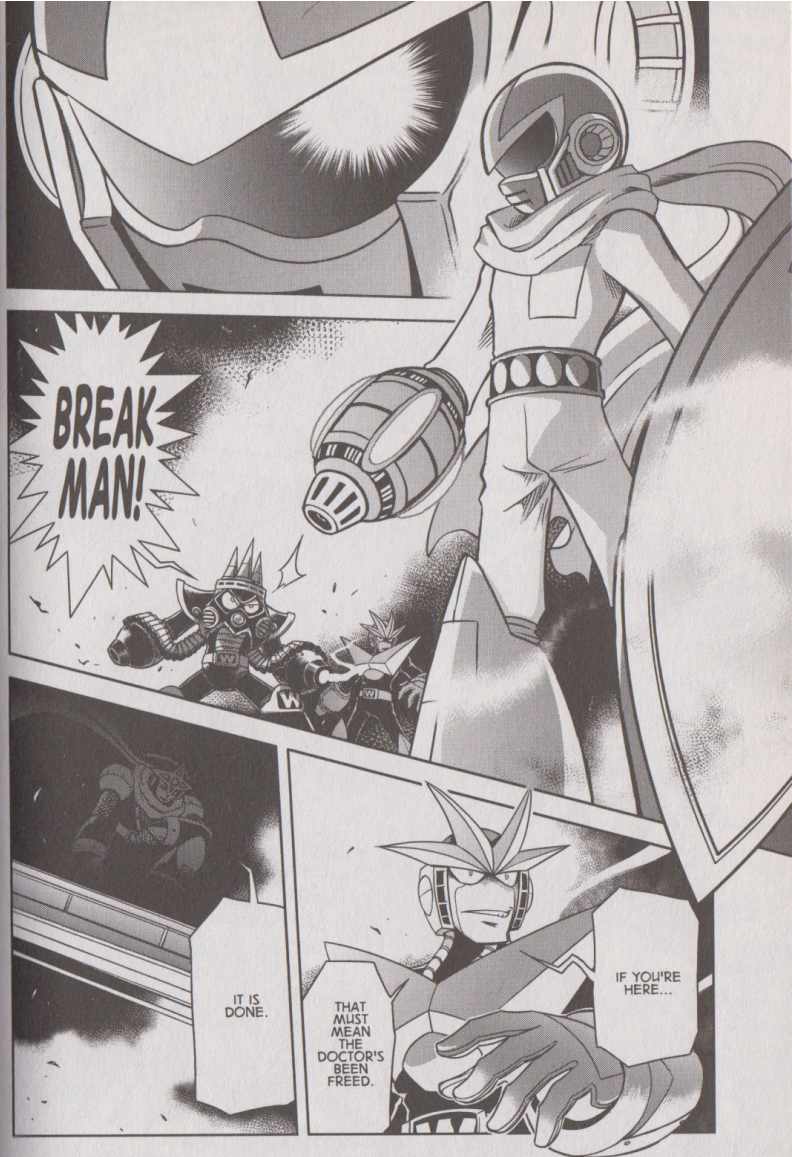
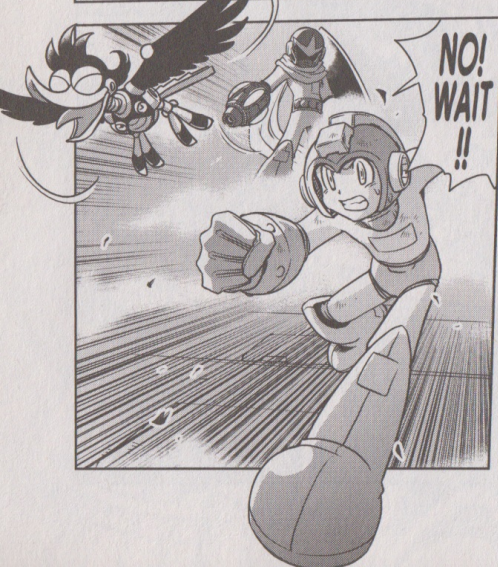
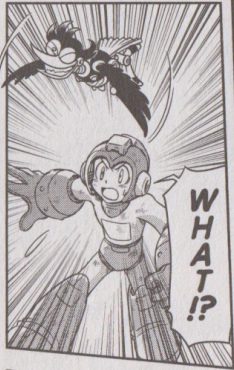


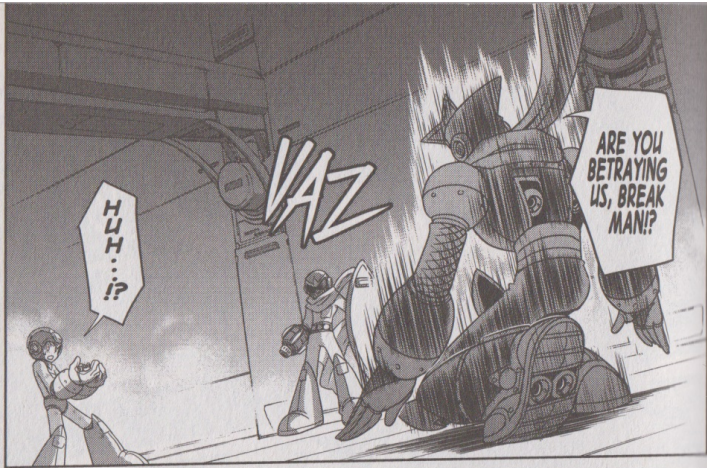




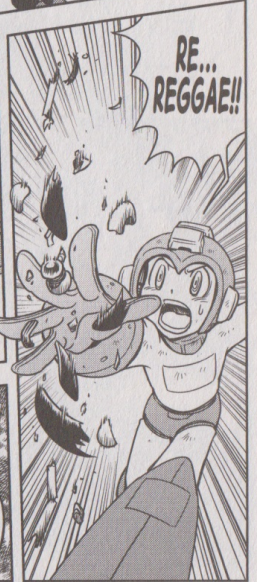
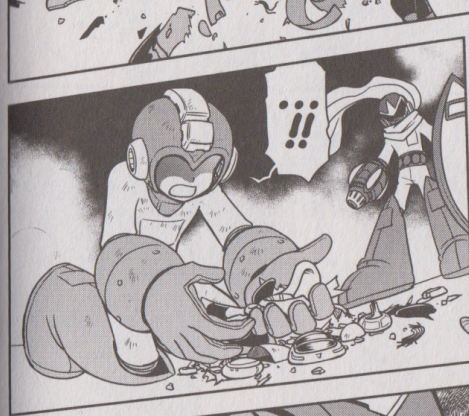
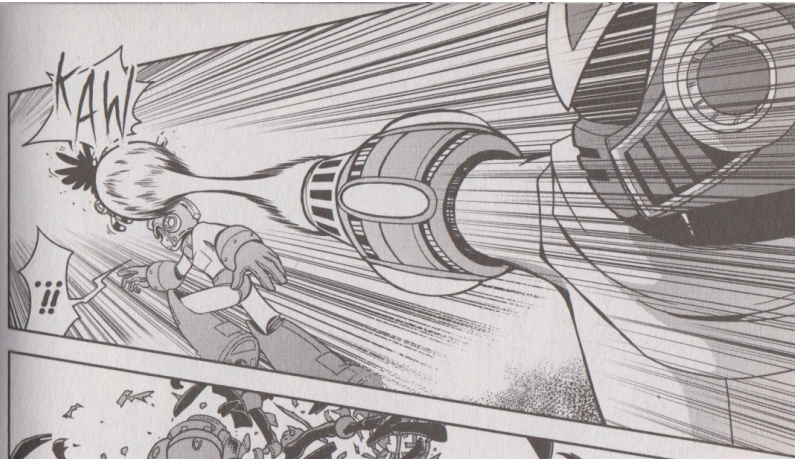
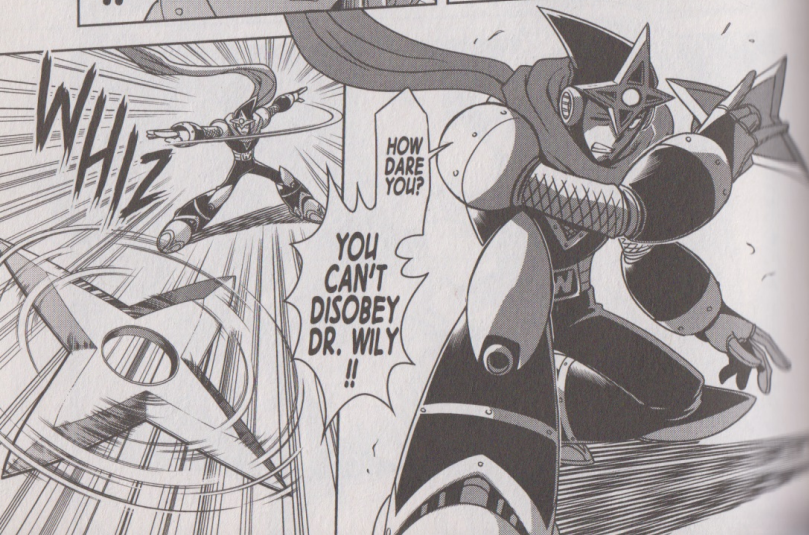




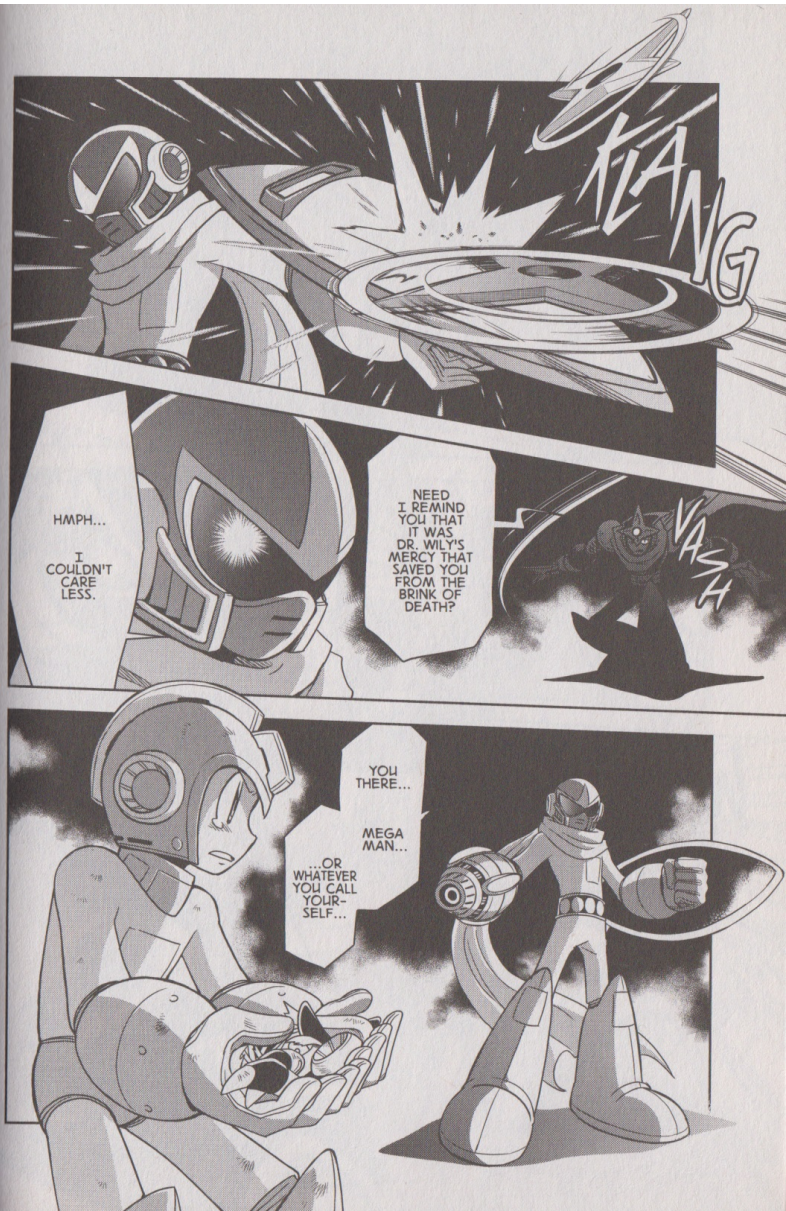
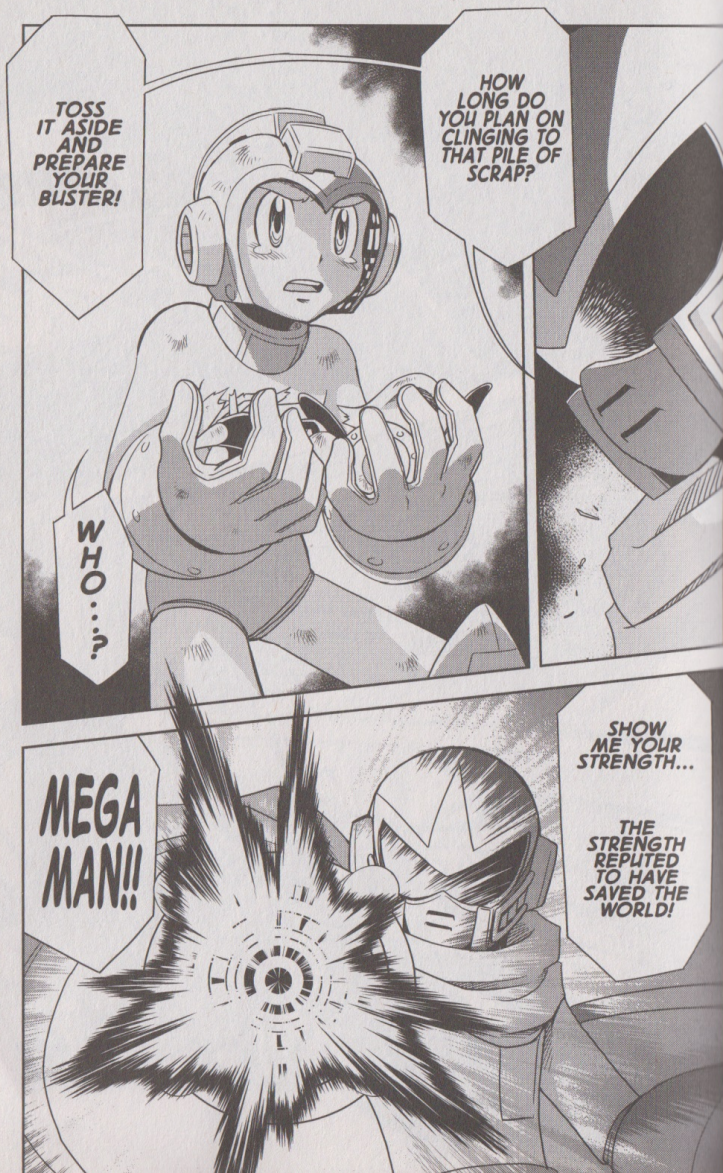


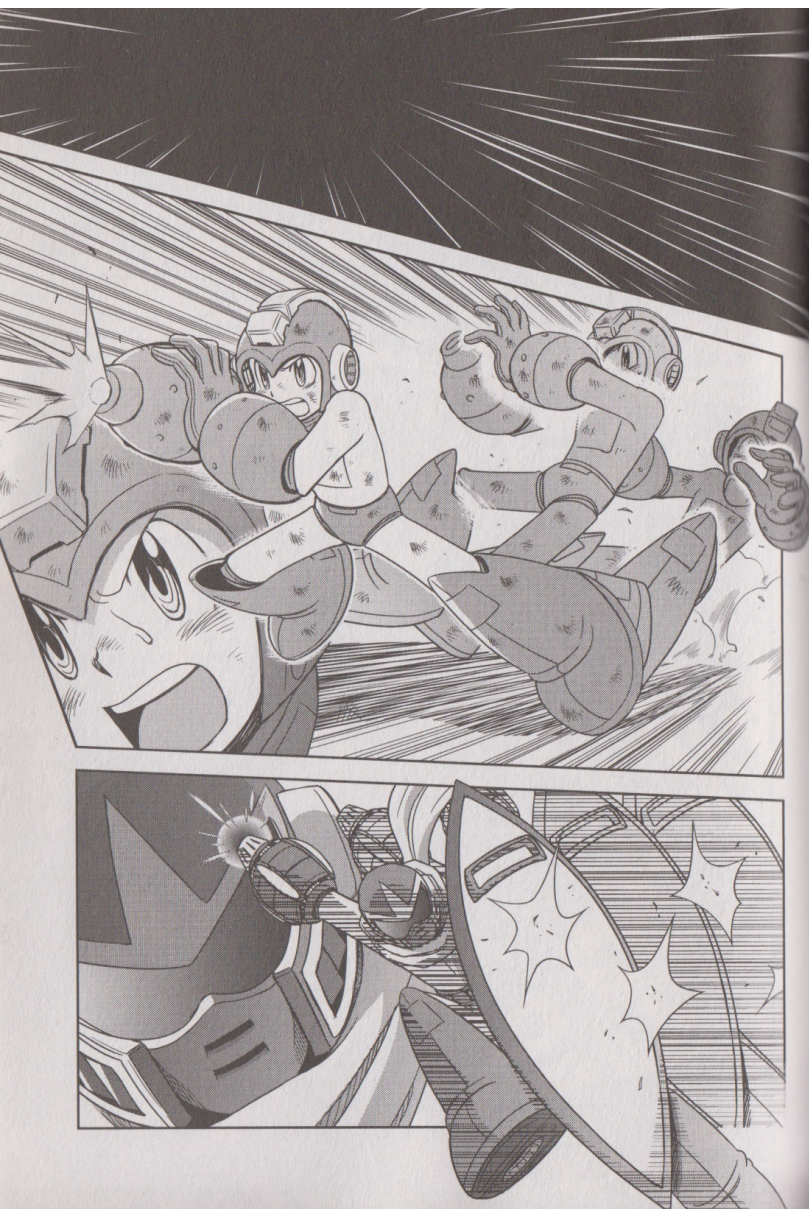


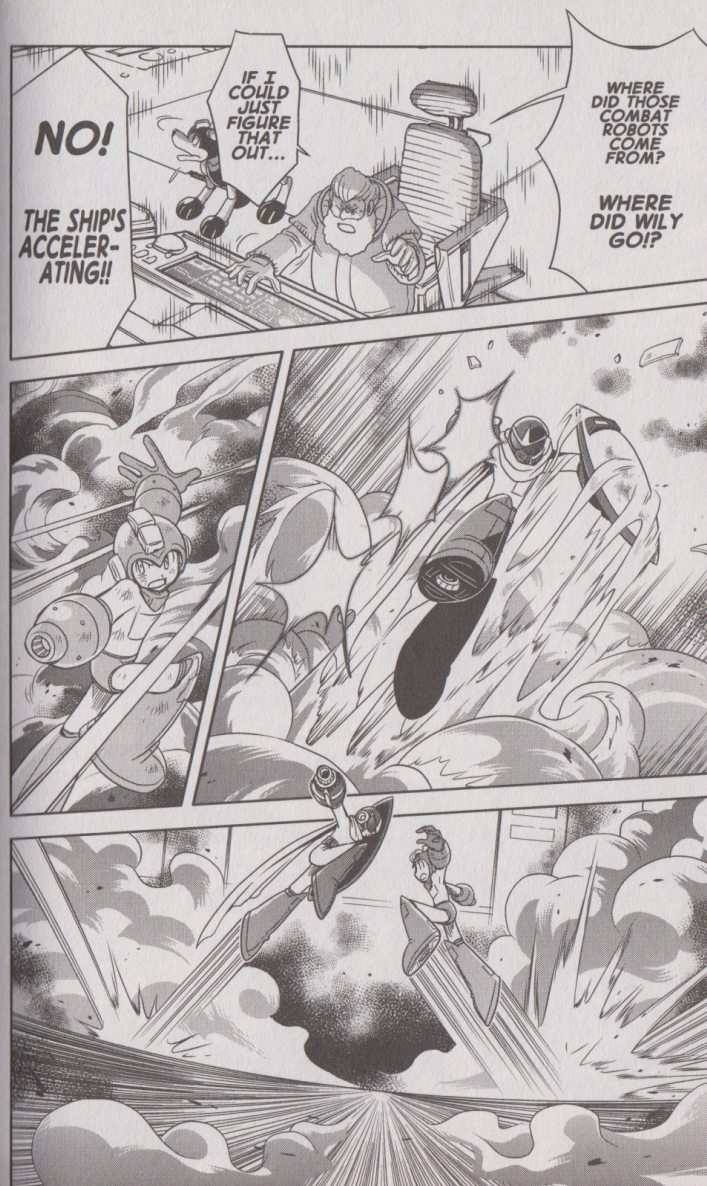
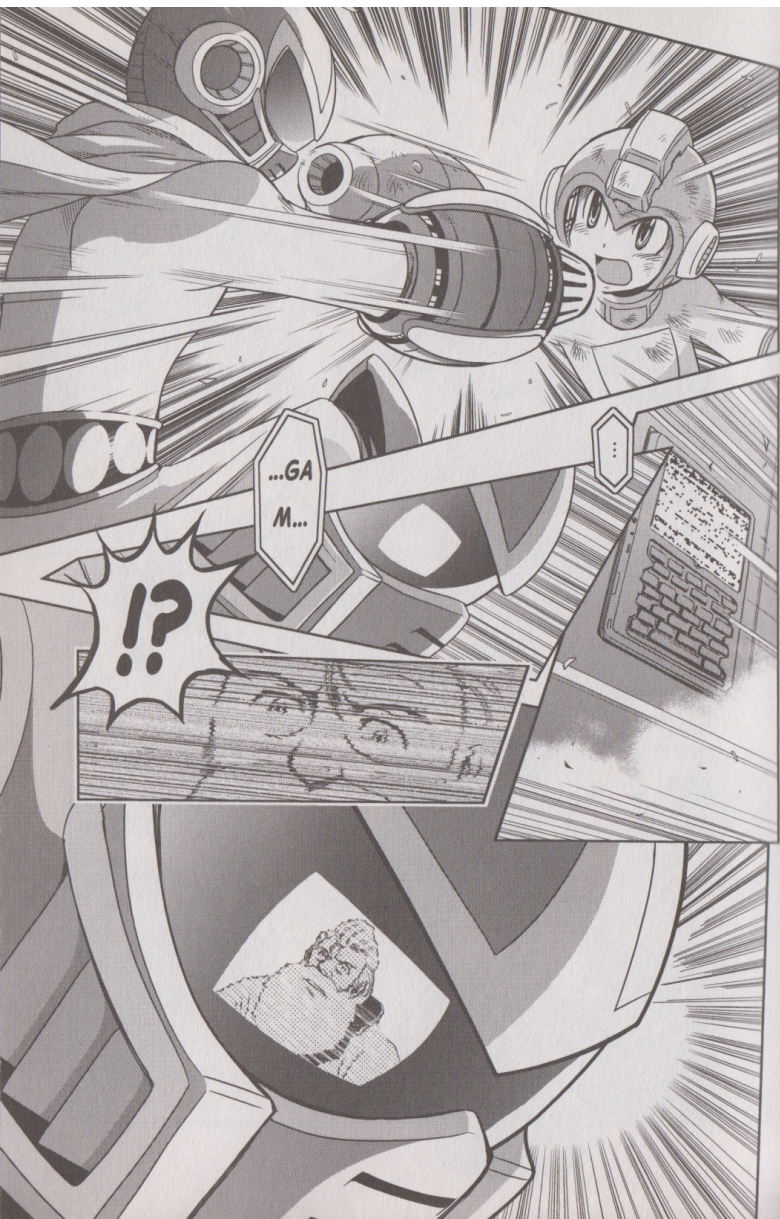
RELYING
ON A
SPYBOT IS
PATHETIC...

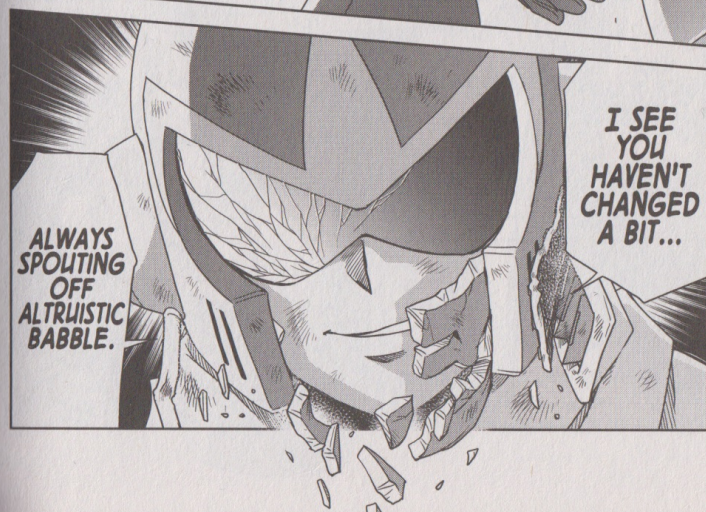
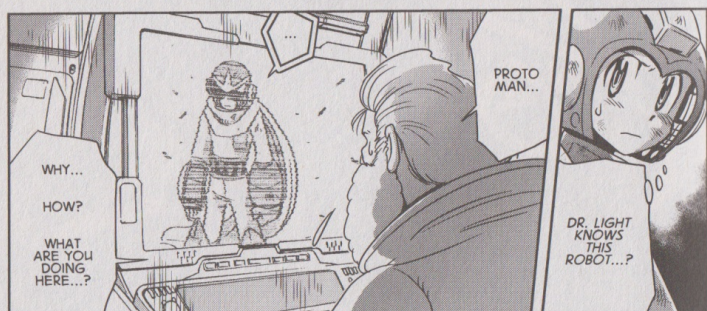
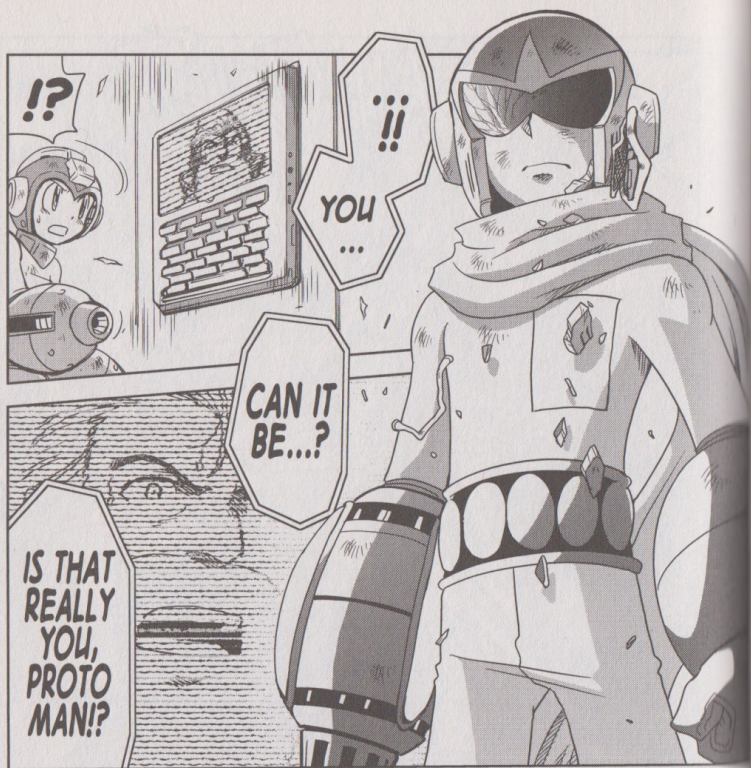


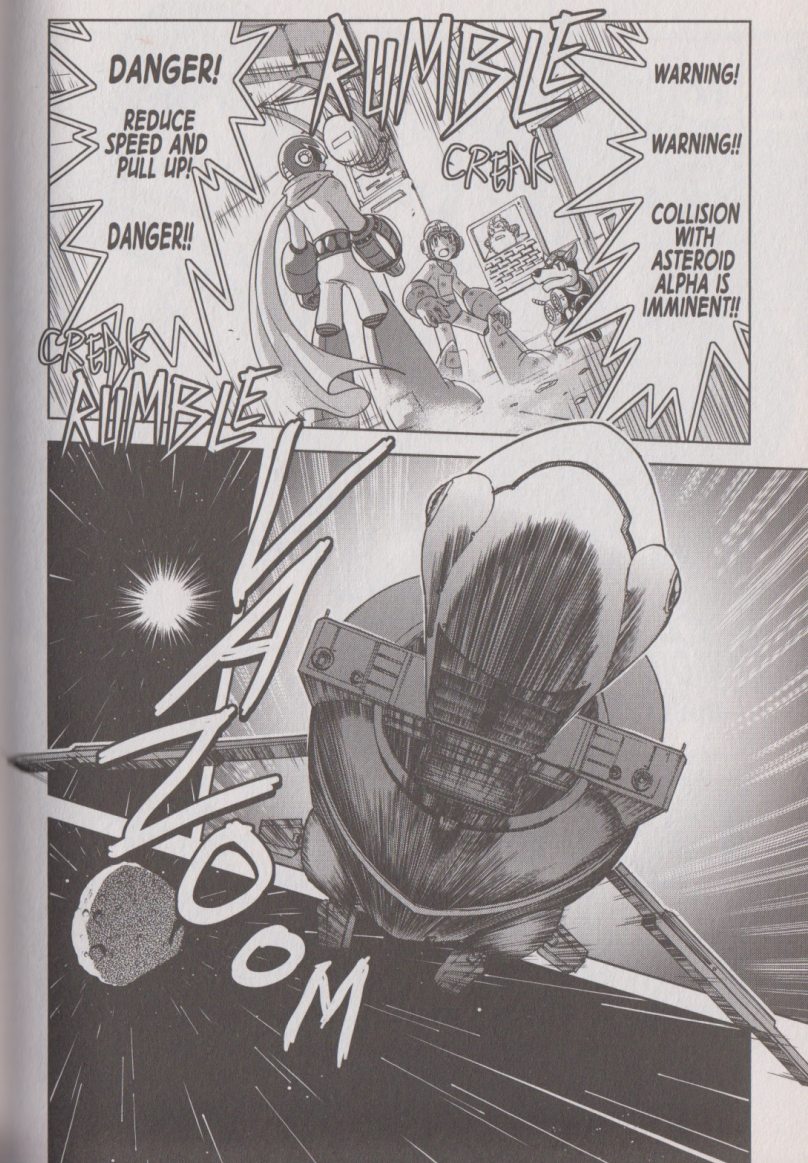
HOW
COULD
YOU...!?

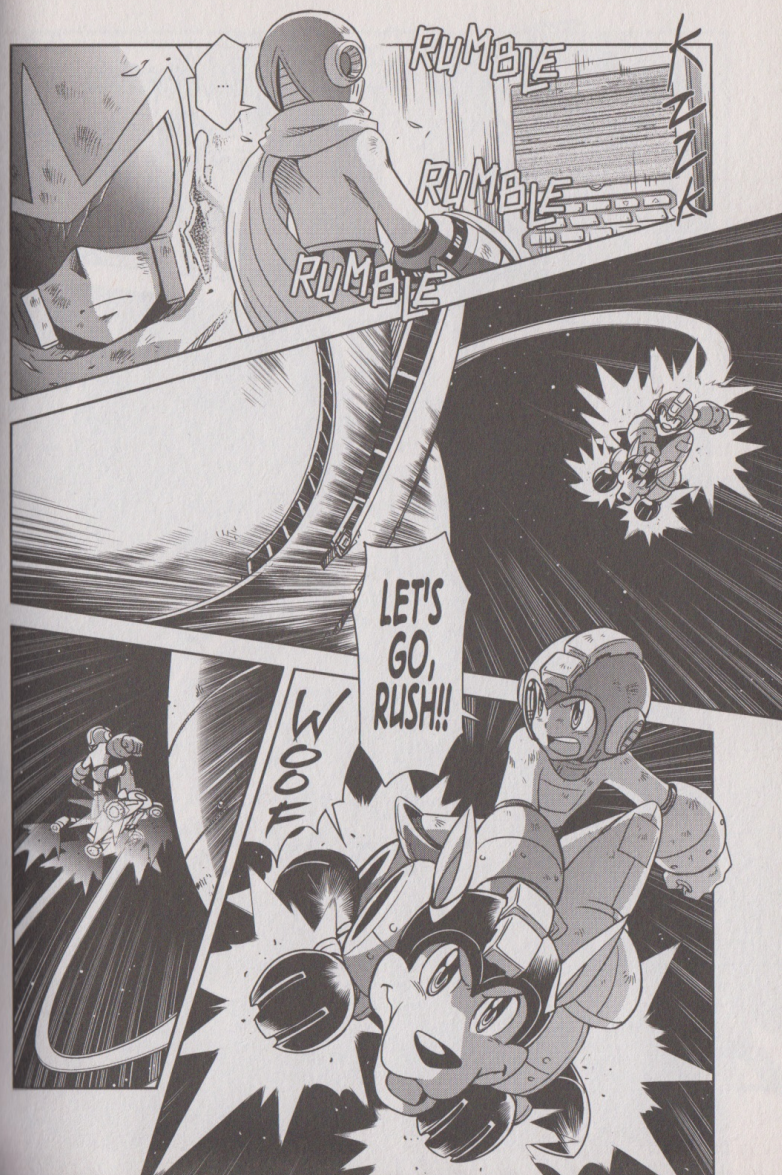


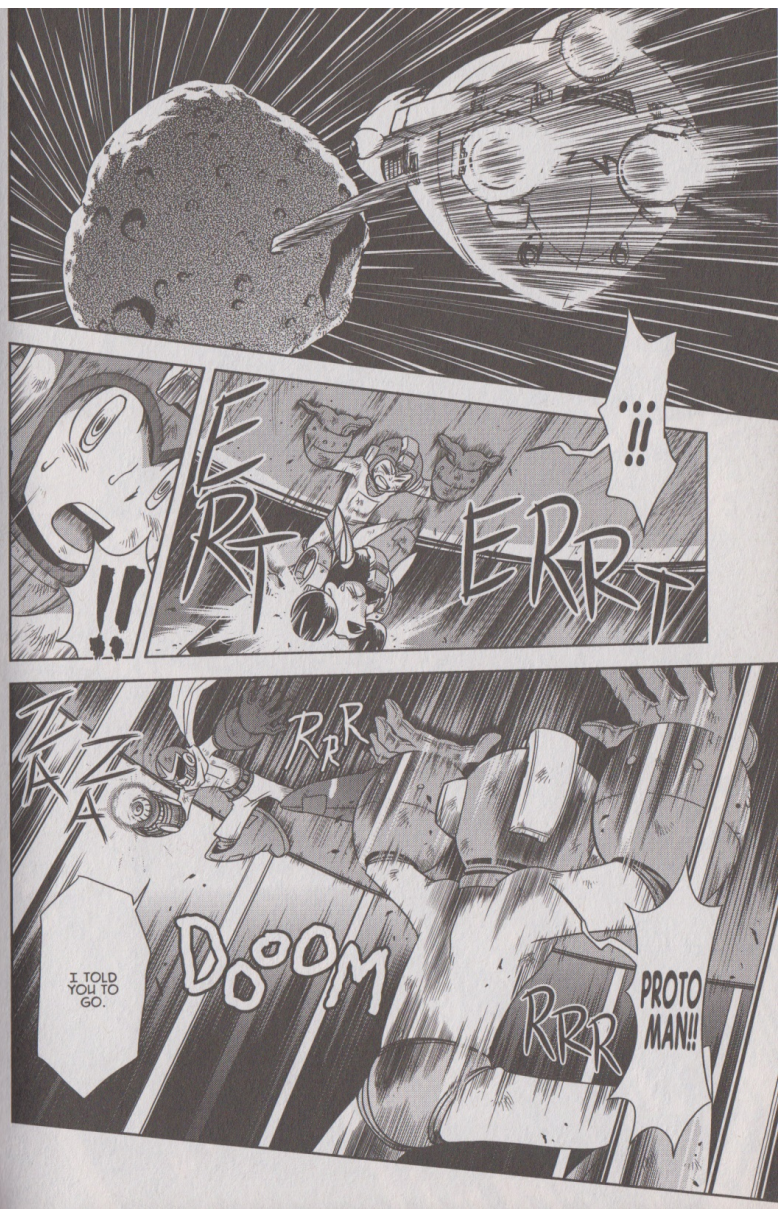
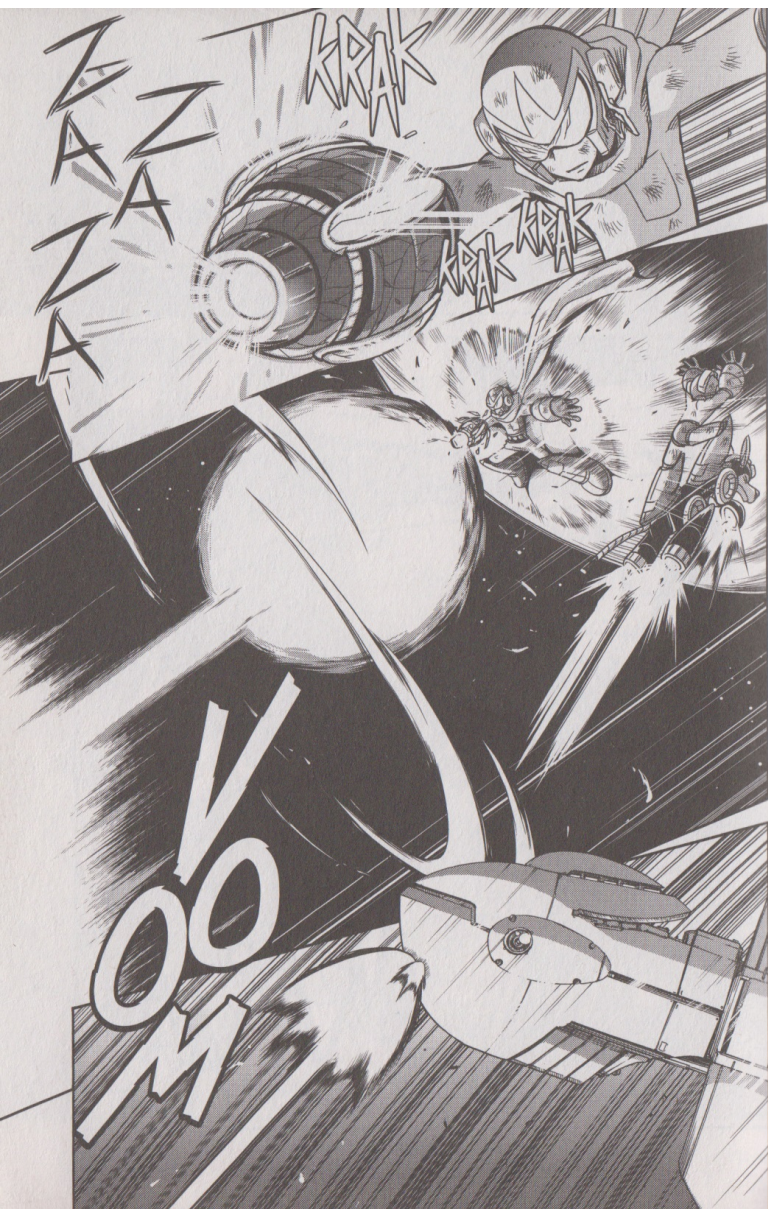


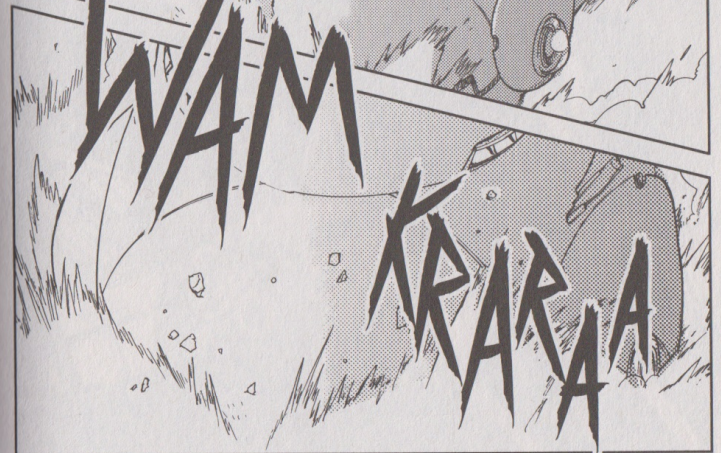
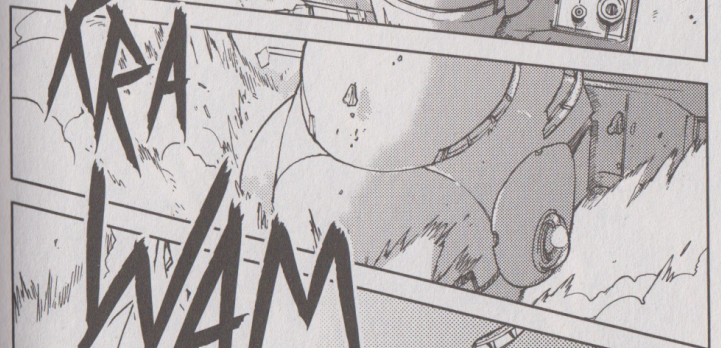
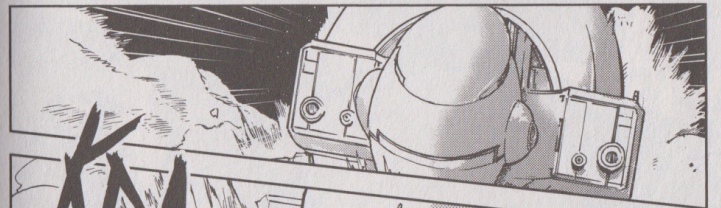
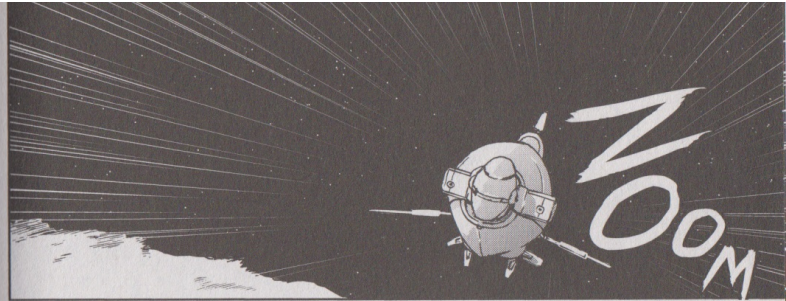
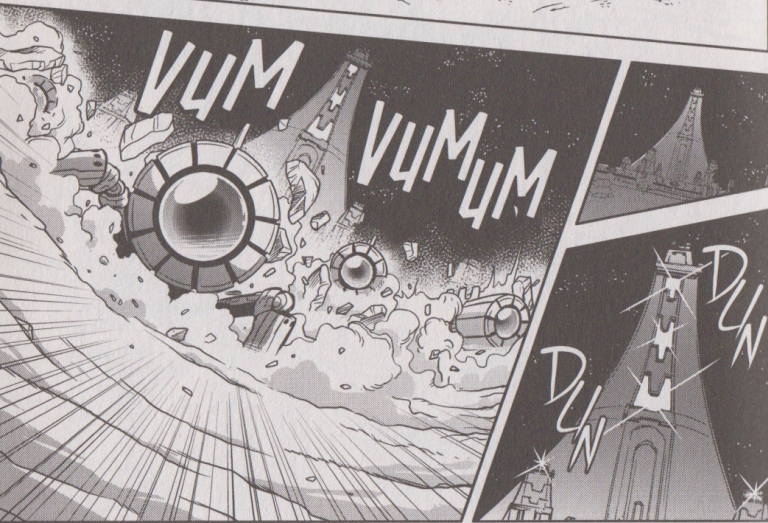
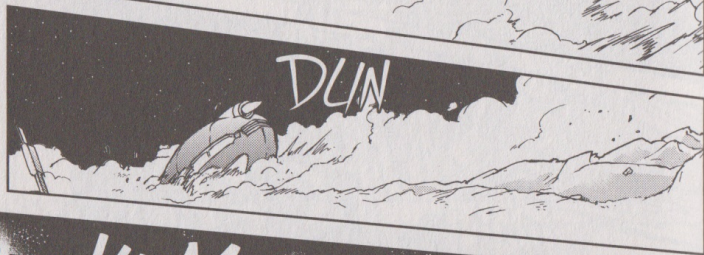


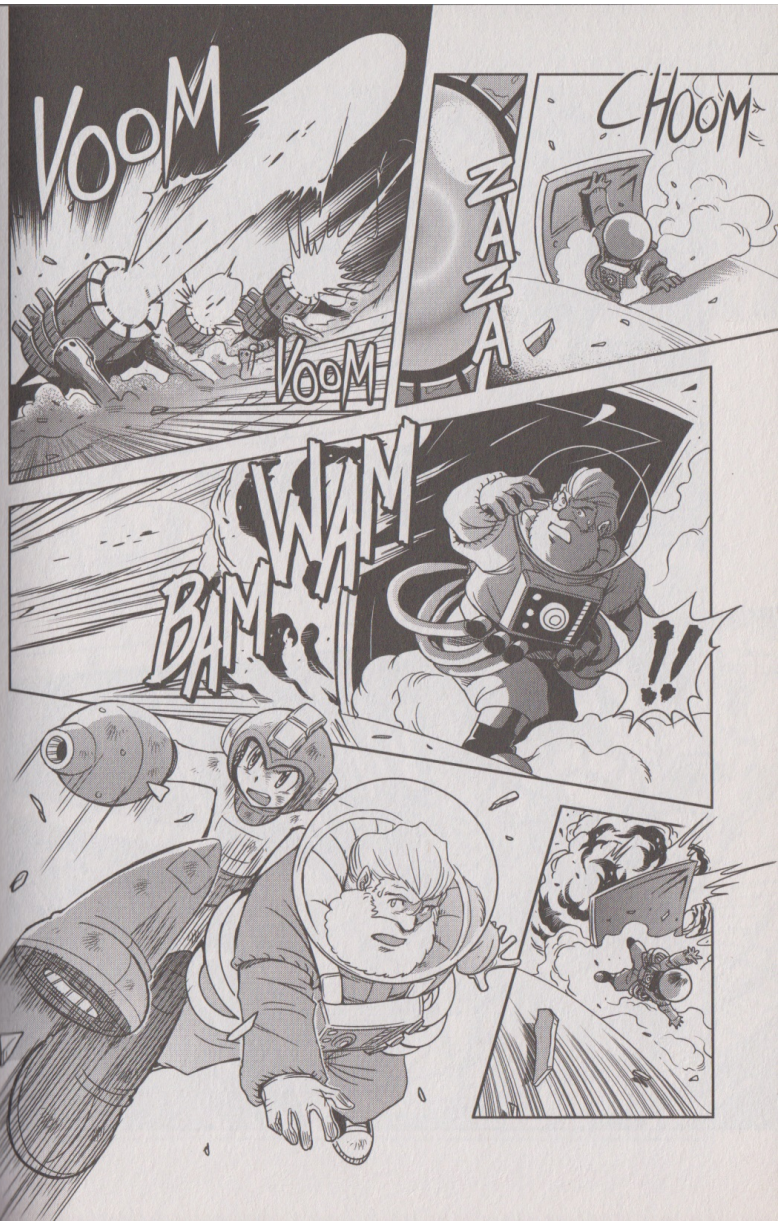
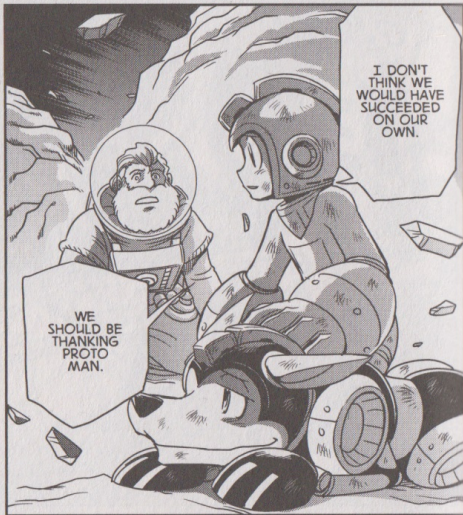
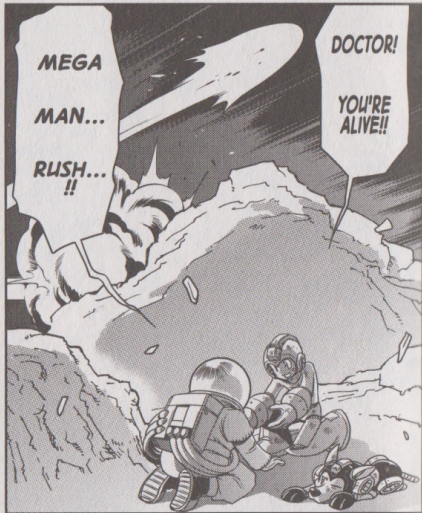


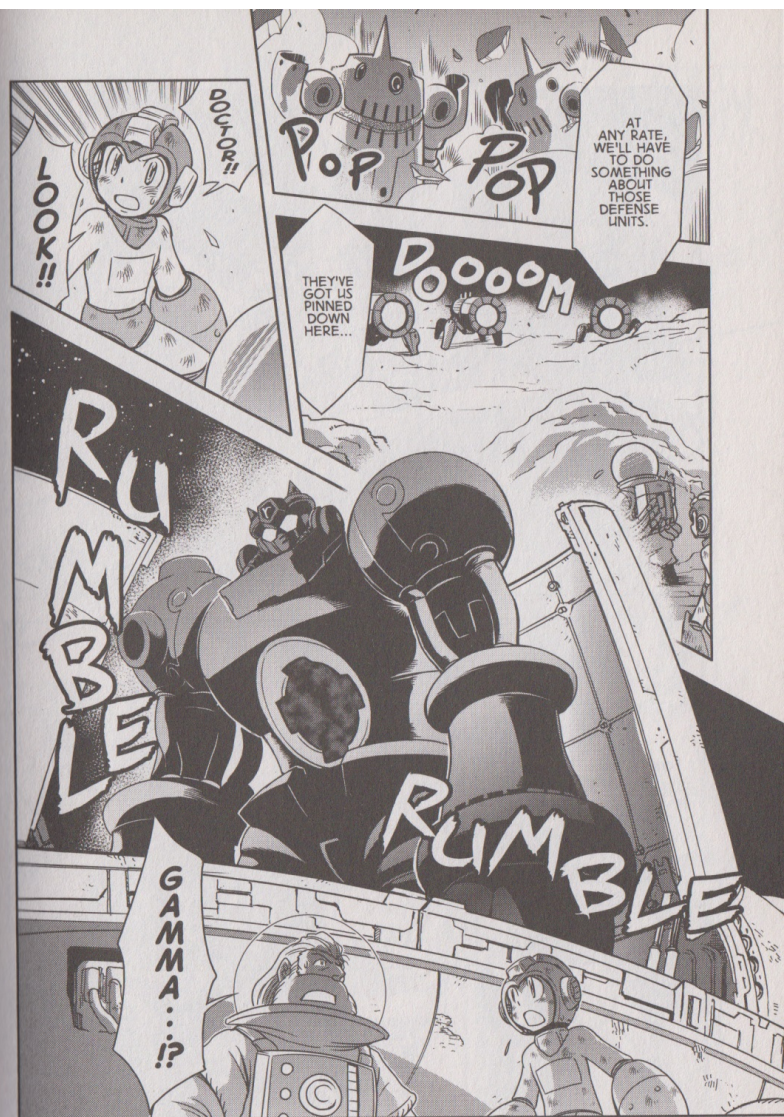
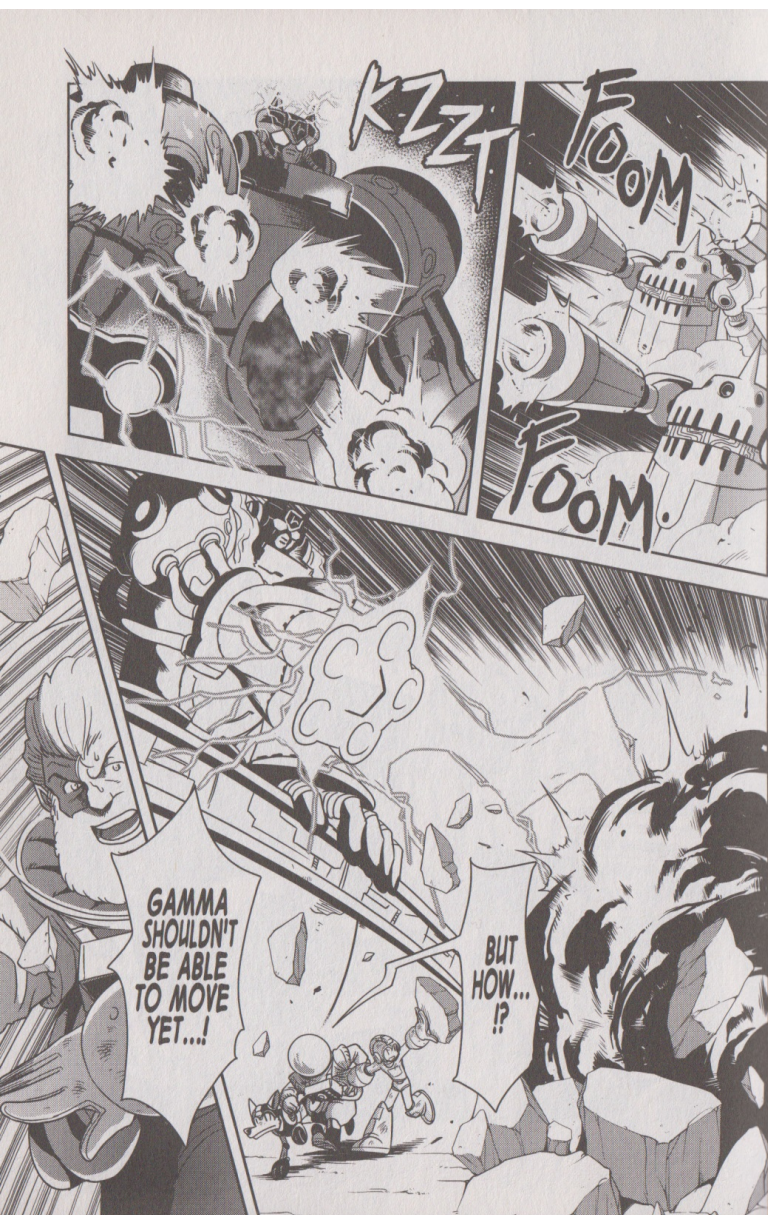




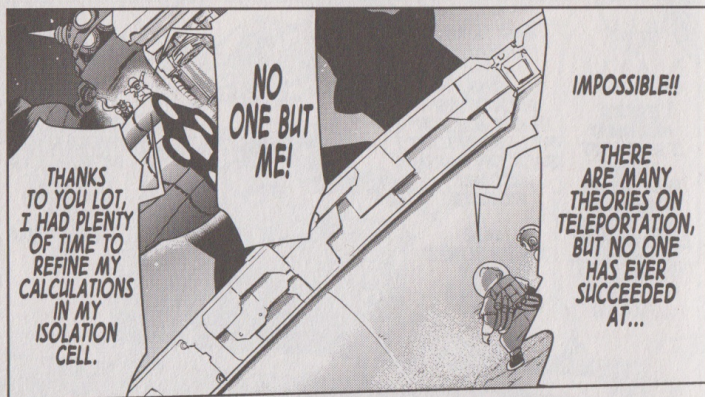












THANKS
TO YOU LOT,
I HAD PLENTY
OF TIME TO
REFINE MY
CALCULATIONS
IN MY
ISOLATION
CELL.

NO
ONE BUT
ME!

IMPOSSIBLE!!

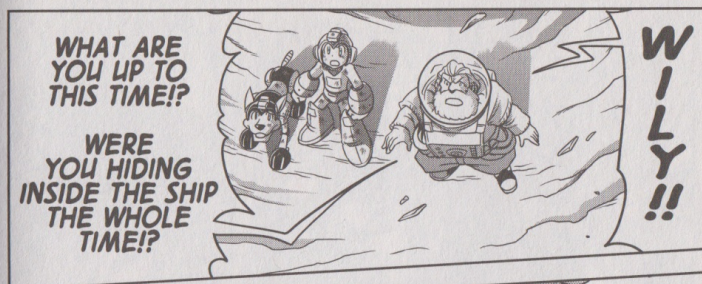
THERE
ARE MANY
THEORIES ON
TELEPORTATION,
BUT NO ONE
HAS EVER
SUCCEEDED
AT...



YOU AND
THOSE USELESS
GUARD ROBOTS
WERE SO
CONCERNED
THAT I WOULD
CREATE WEAPONS
OR COMBAT
ROBOTS, YOU
DIDN'T GIVE IT
A SECOND
THOUGHT WHEN
I PROPOSED
TO BUILD
AN "ENERGY
TANK!"

I SWIPED
THE PARTS
I NEEDED
AS WE
WORKED ON
GAMMA.

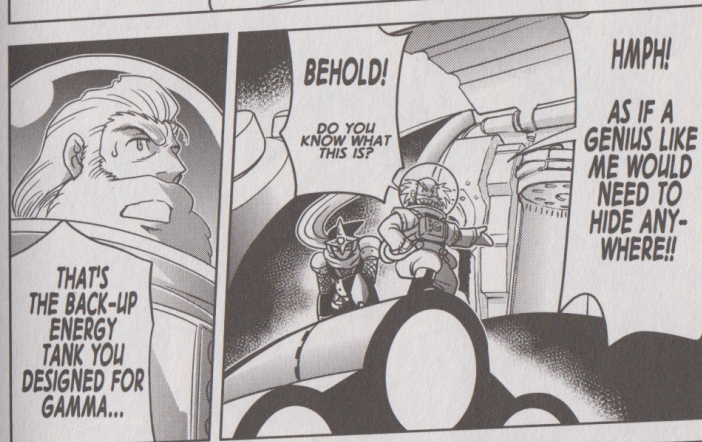
IT WAS
ALL I
COULD
DO TO
HIDE MY
AMUSE-
MENT!!



WHAT ARE
YOU UP TO
THIS TIME!?

WERE
YOU HIDING
INSIDE THE SHIP
THE WHOLE
TIME!?

W
I
L
Y
!!



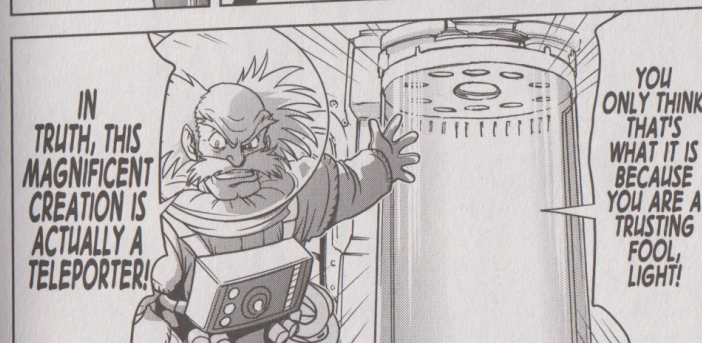
BEHOLD!

DO YOU
KNOW WHAT
THIS IS?

THAT'S
THE BACK-UP
ENERGY
TANK YOU
DESIGNED FOR
GAMMA...

HMPH!

AS IF A
GENIUS LIKE
ME WOULD
NEED TO
HIDE ANY-
WHERE!!



IN
TRUTH, THIS
MAGNIFICENT
CREATION IS
ACTUALLY A
TELEPORTER!

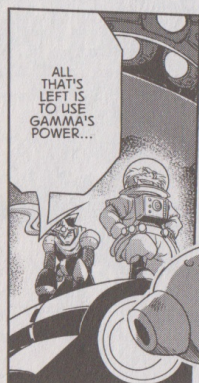
YOU
ONLY THINK
THAT'S
WHAT IT IS
BECAUSE
YOU ARE A
TRUSTING
FOOL,
LIGHT!



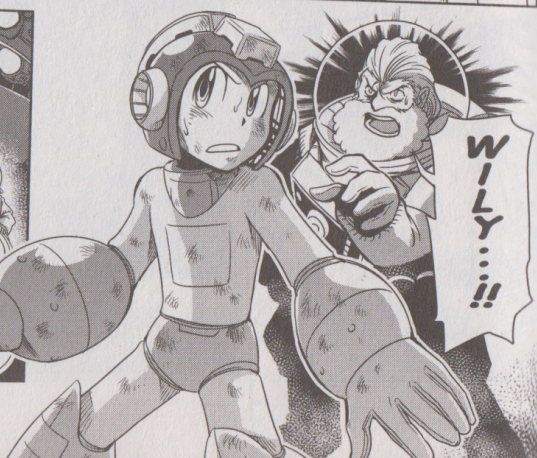
I SHALL ENJOY ANALYZING IT AT MY LEISURE.

HA
HAHA
HA!!

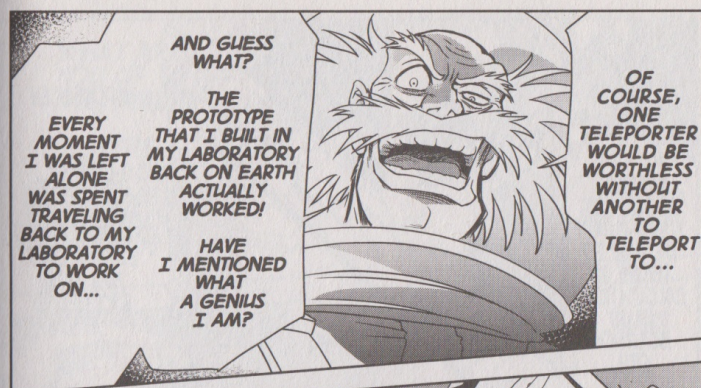
NOW
THAT I HAVE
THIS ALIEN
TECHNOLOGY
WITHIN MY
GRASP...



ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO USE GAMMA'S POWER...



W
I
L
Y
...!!

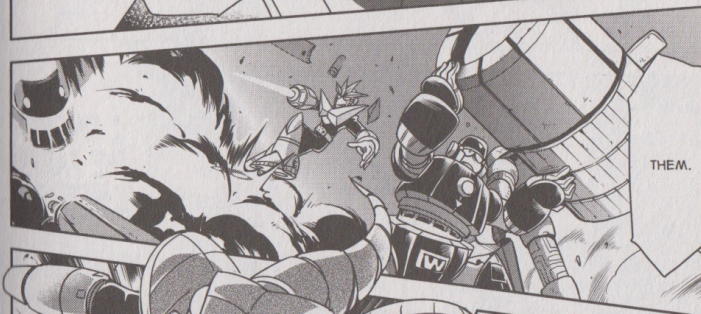


AND GUESS WHAT?

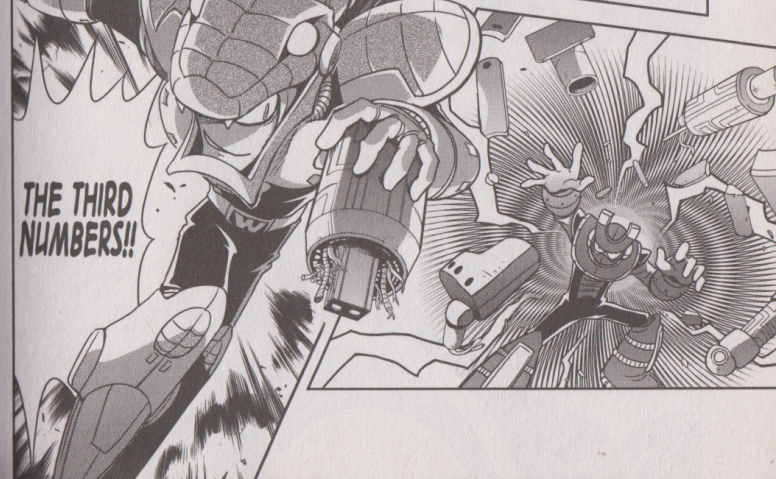
THE
PROTOTYPE
THAT I BUILT IN
MY LABORATORY
BACK ON EARTH
ACTUALLY
WORKED!

HAVE
I MENTIONED
WHAT
A GENIUS
I AM?

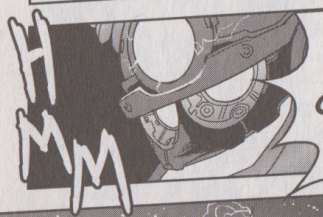
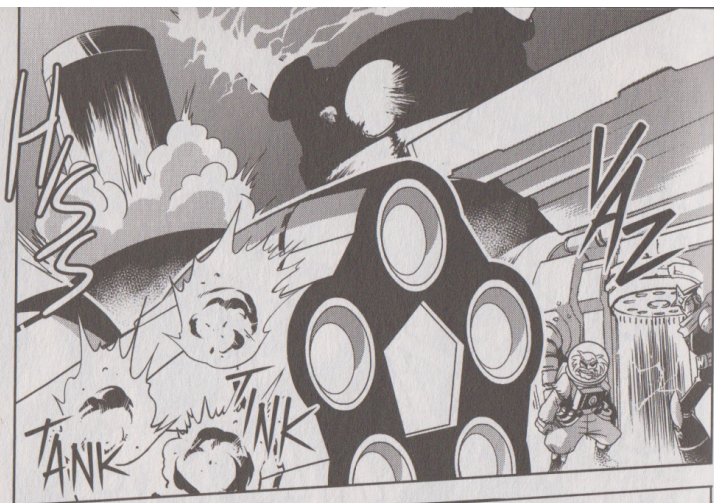
OF
COURSE,
ONE
TELEPORTER
WOULD BE
WORTHLESS
WITHOUT
ANOTHER
TO
TELEPORT
TO...



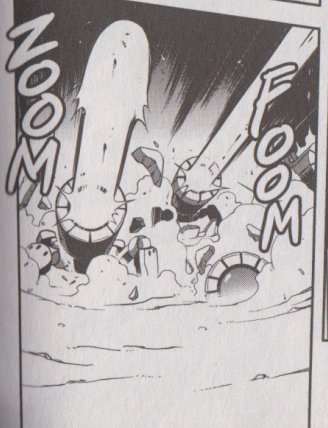
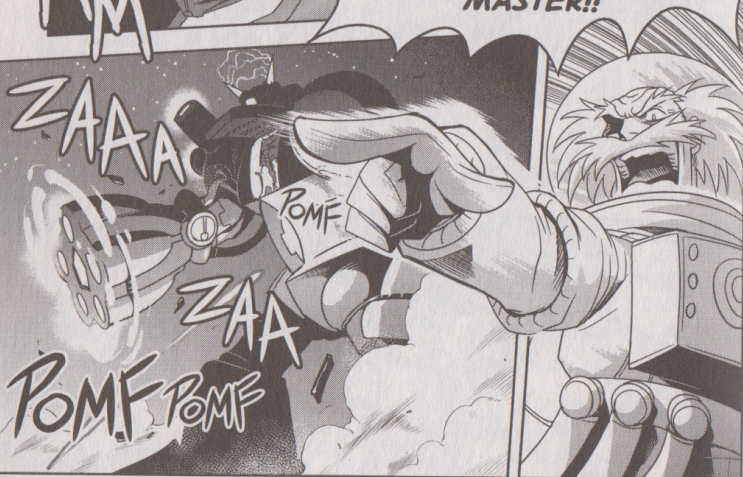
THEM.



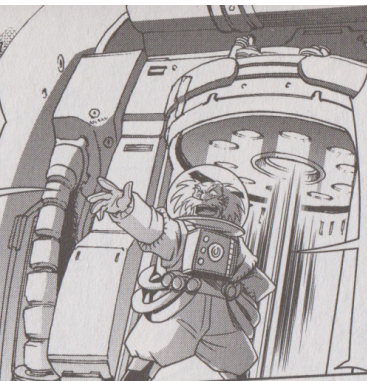
THE THIRD
NUMBERS!!



GO FORTH, GAMMA!!
DESTROY THOSE PESKY
DEFENSE UNITS AND
CLAIM THE EIGHT ENERGY
CRYSTALS FOR YOUR
MASTER!!

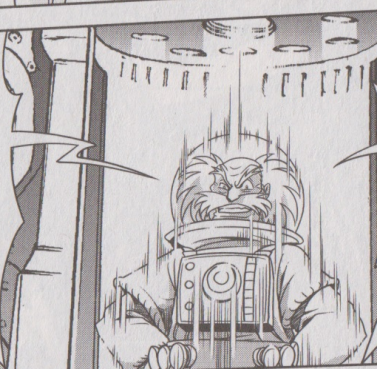


I SUPPOSE
I'LL JUST KICK
BACK AND
RELAX IN MY
LABORATORY
UNTIL GAMMA
TELEPORTS
THE ENERGY
CRYSTALS
BACK TO
ME!



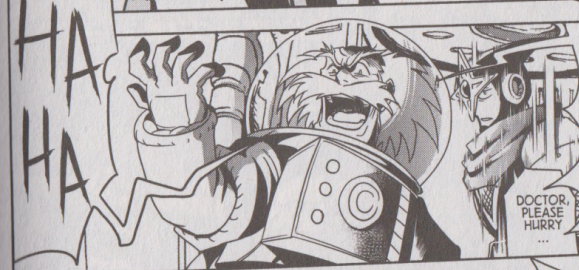
NOW
I DO
BELIEVE
I SHALL
TAKE MY
LEAVE.
EARTH
AWAITS!

I LOOK
FORWARD TO
WELCOMING
YOU BACK TO
EARTH! NO
DOUBT IT WILL
BE UNDER
MY RULE BY
THEN!!



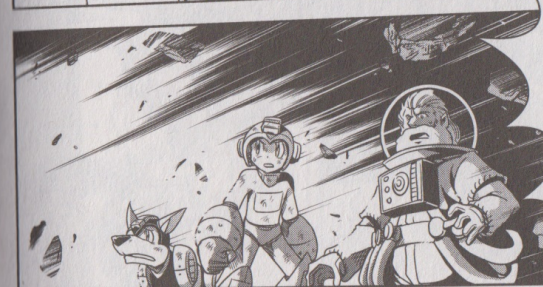
I TRUST
YOU ARE
AT LEAST
CAPABLE
ENOUGH TO
REPAIR THE
SPACESHIP
AND RETURN
TO EARTH,
LIGHT!

MWA
HAHA
HAHA
HAHA
HAHA
HA

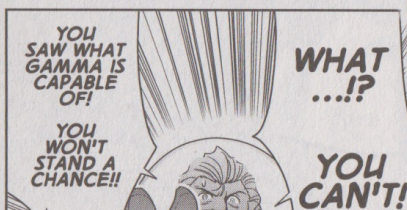
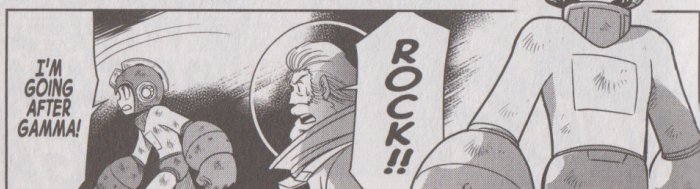
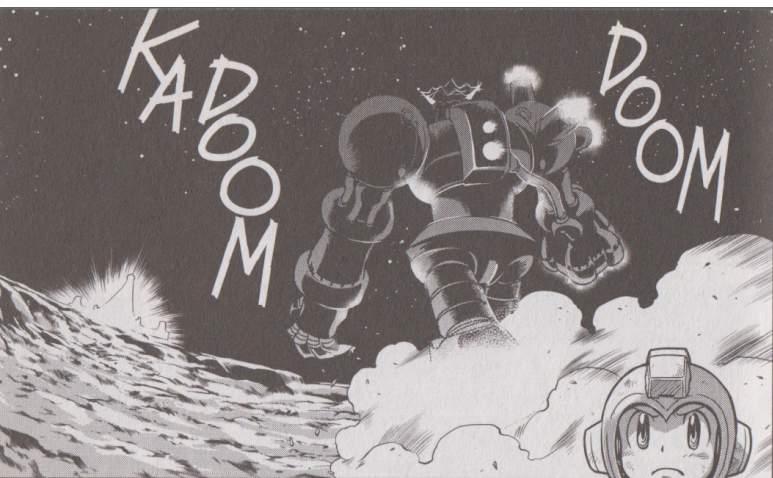


DO YOU
SEE?
DO YOU
SEE THE
POWER!?

DOCTOR,
PLEASE
HURRY



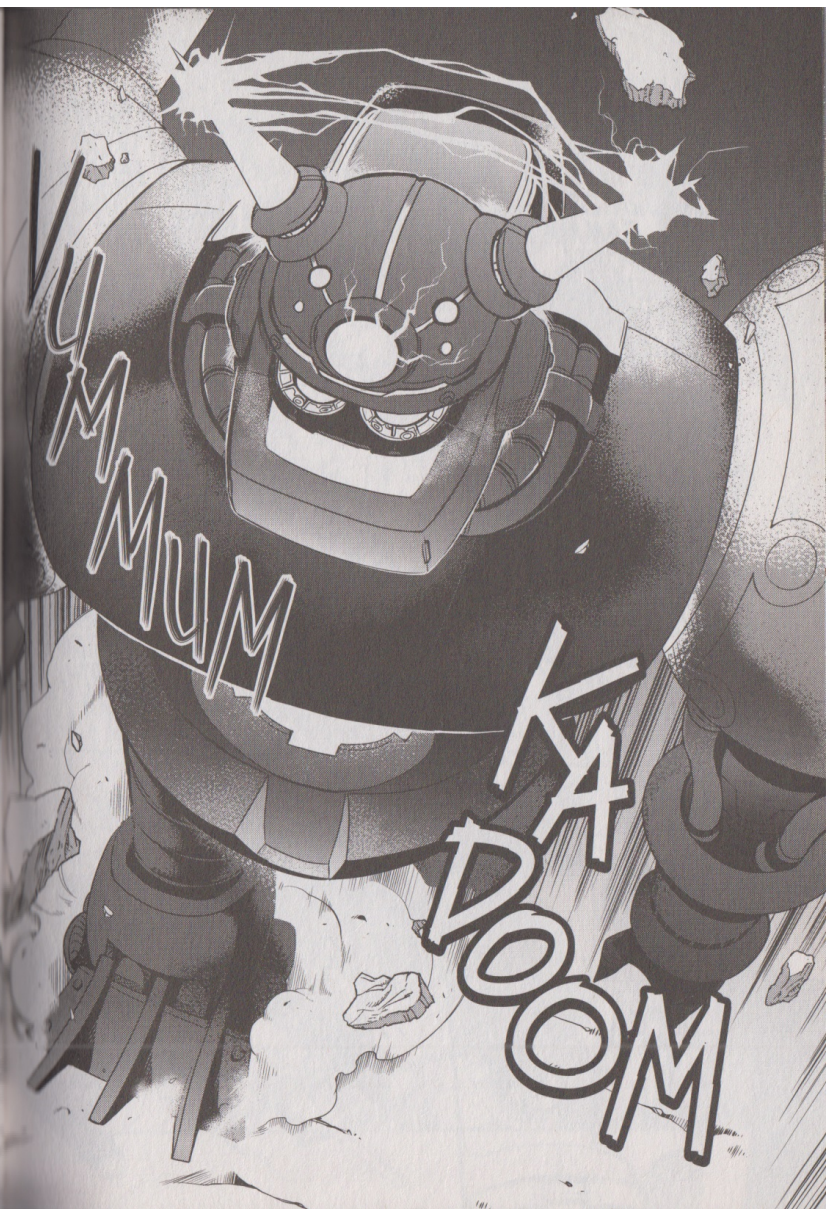
LIGHT! YOU
SHOULD BE
PROUD!! YOU
CREATED HIM
AS MUCH AS
I DID, AFTER
ALL!!

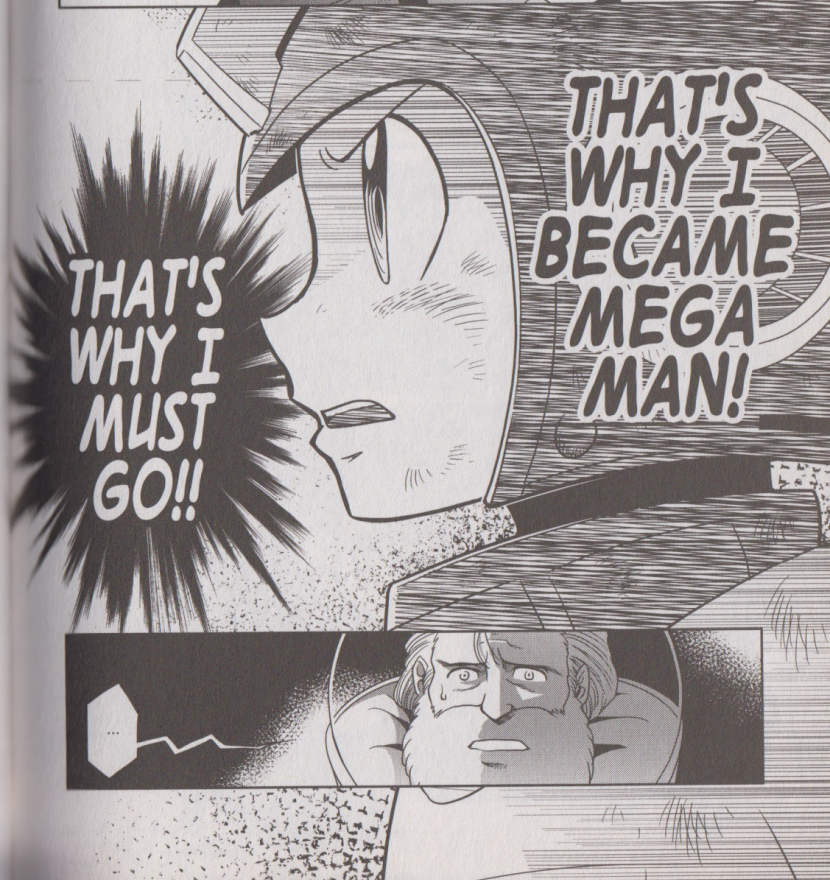
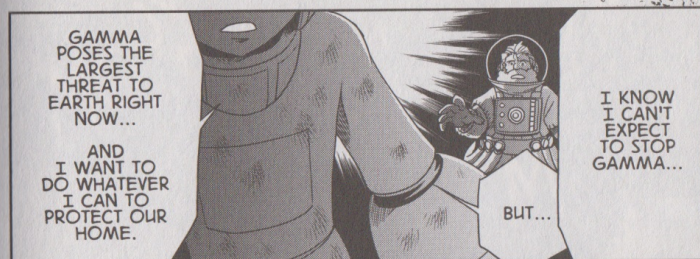
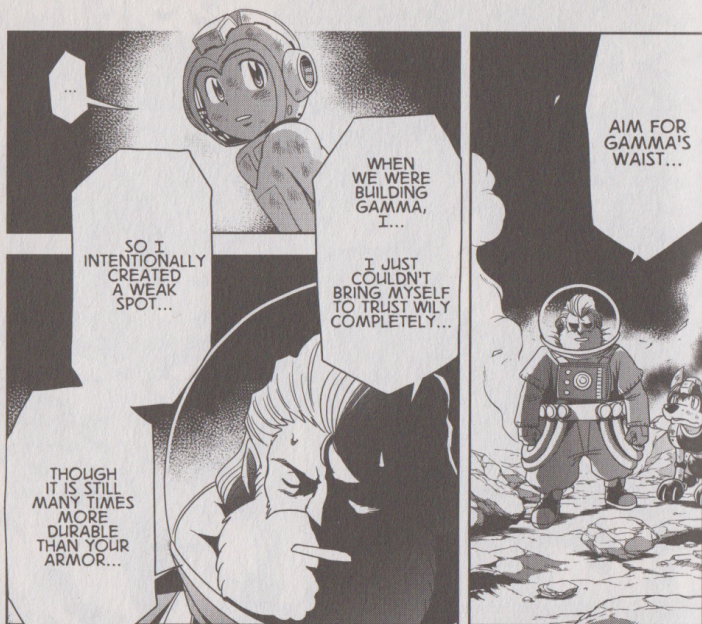


WHAT
...!?

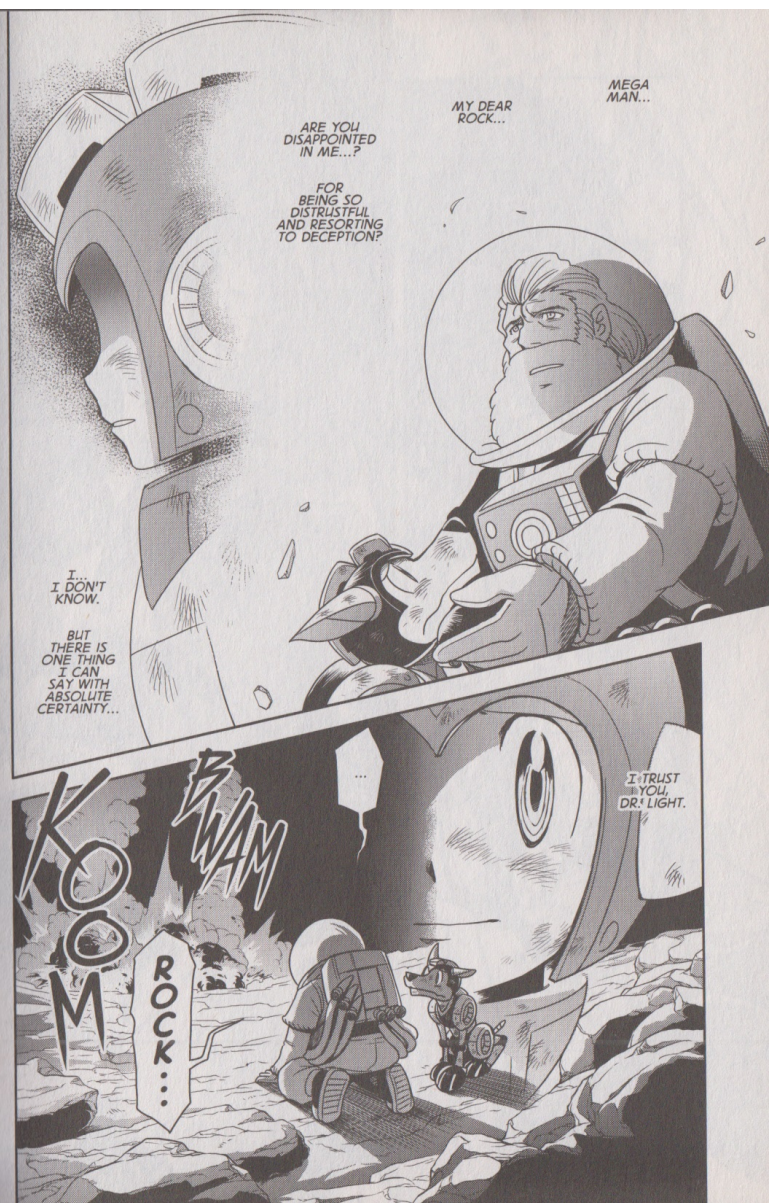
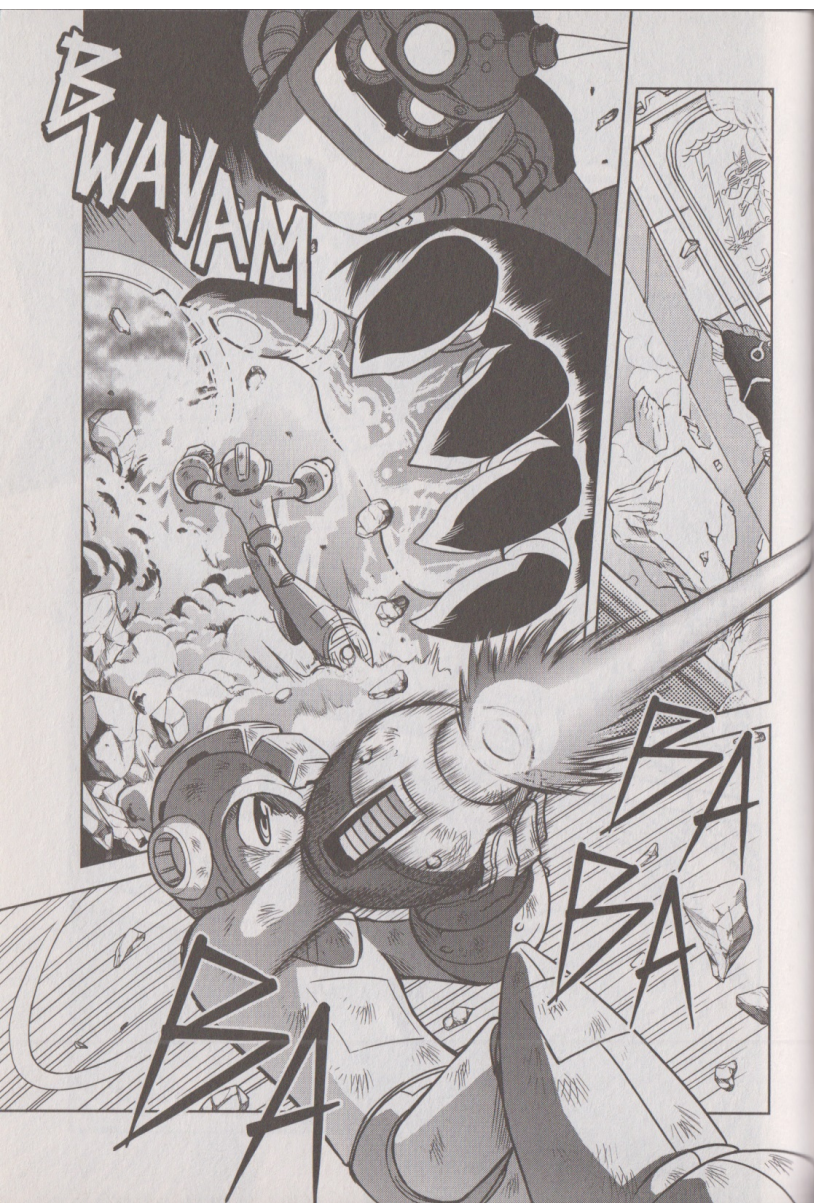
YOU
CAN'T!

YOU
CAN'T
GO!!









ARE YOU
DISAPPOINTED
IN ME...?

MY DEAR
ROCK...

MEGA
MAN...

FOR
BEING SO
DISTRUSTFUL
AND RESORTING
TO DECEPTION?

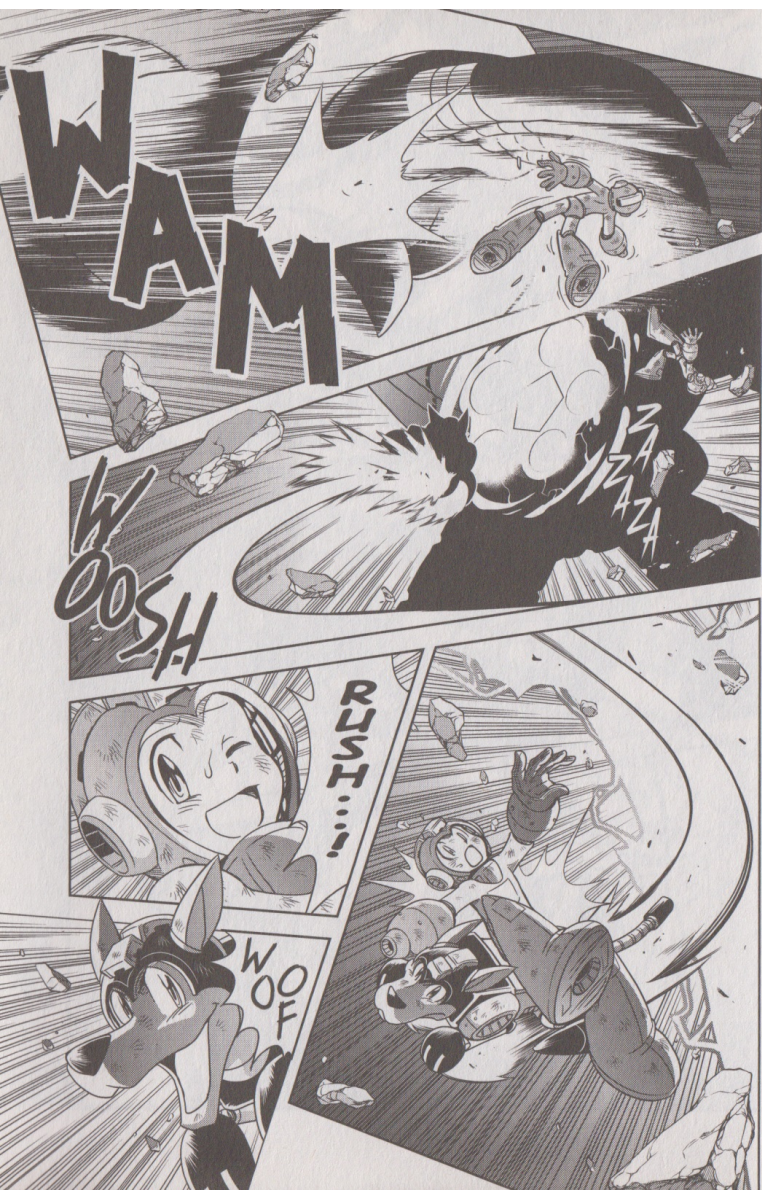
I...
I DON'T
KNOW.

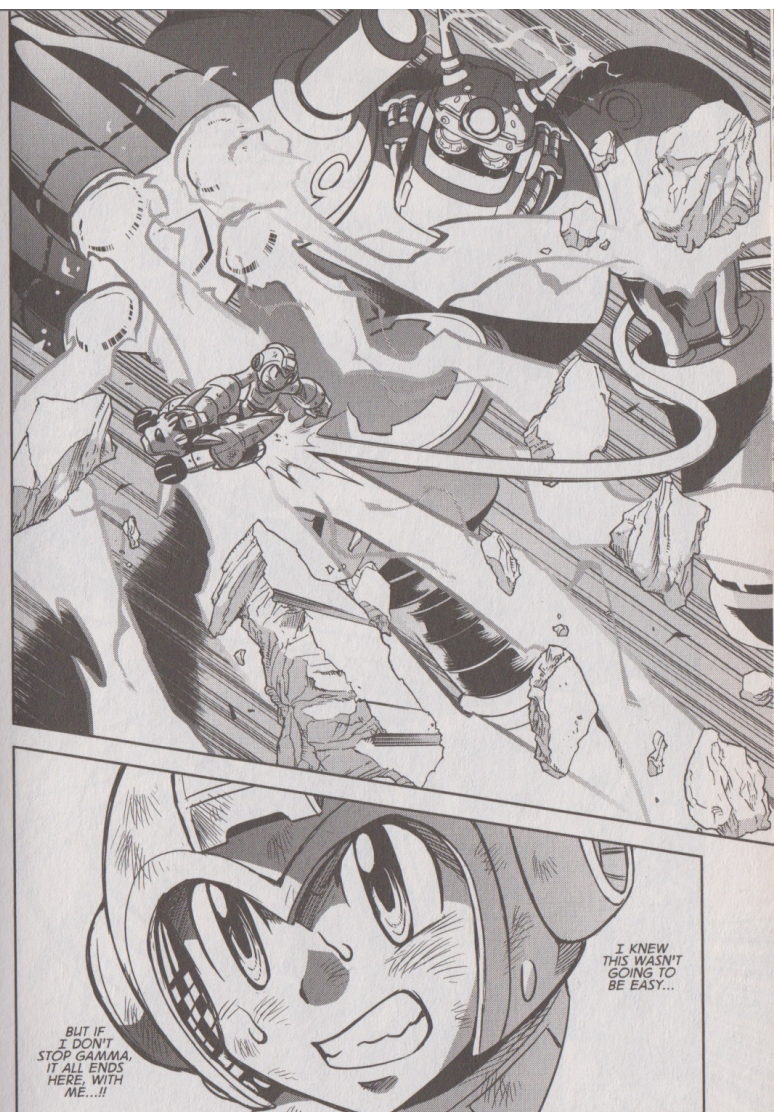
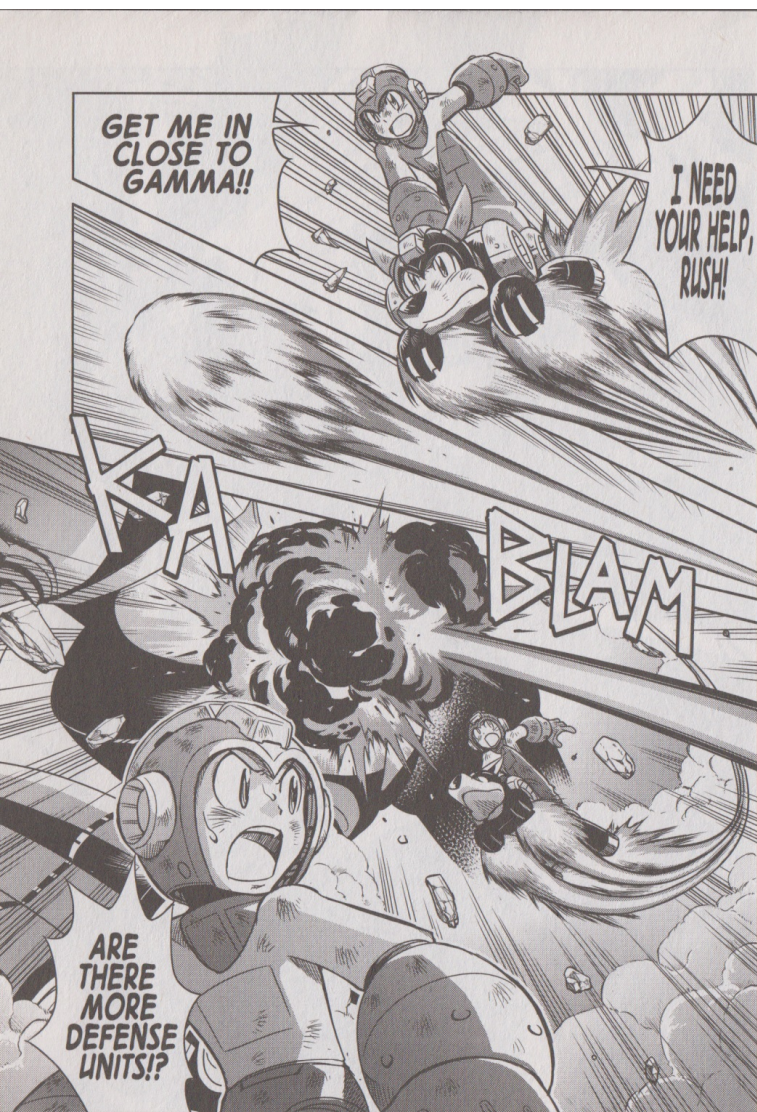
BUT
THERE IS
ONE THING
I CAN
SAY WITH
ABSOLUTE
CERTAINTY...

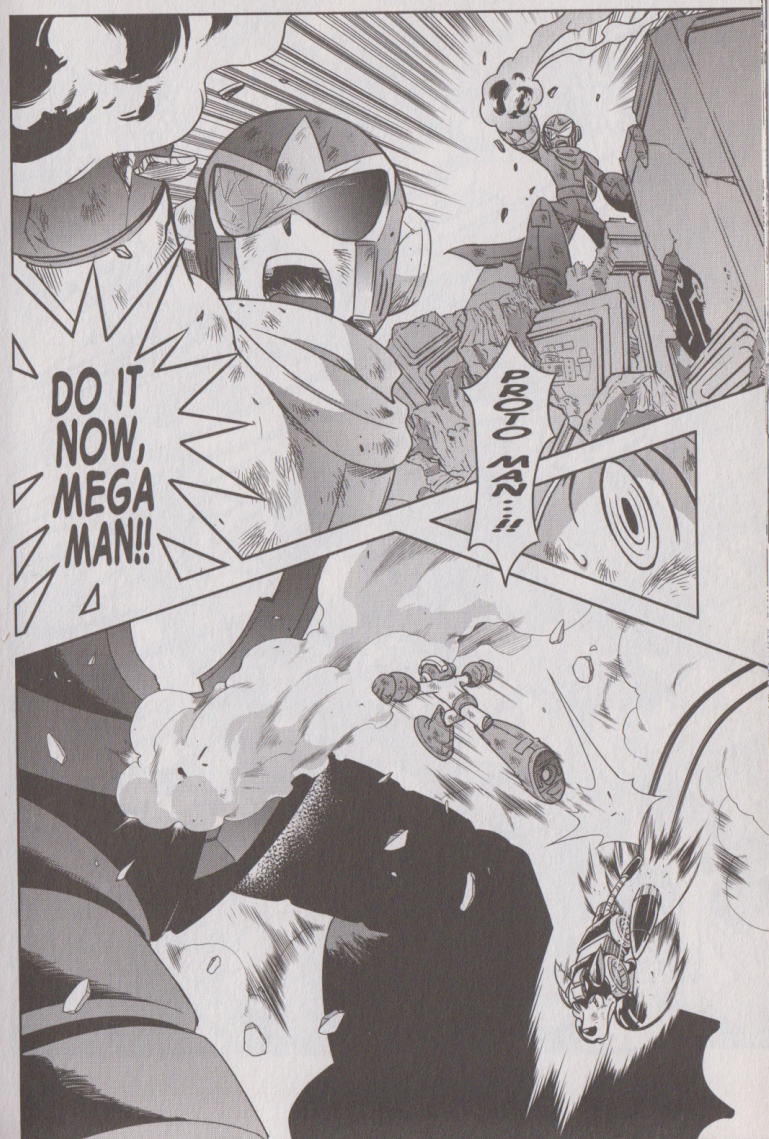
I TRUST
YOU,
DR. LIGHT.

KO
KOM

ROCK...

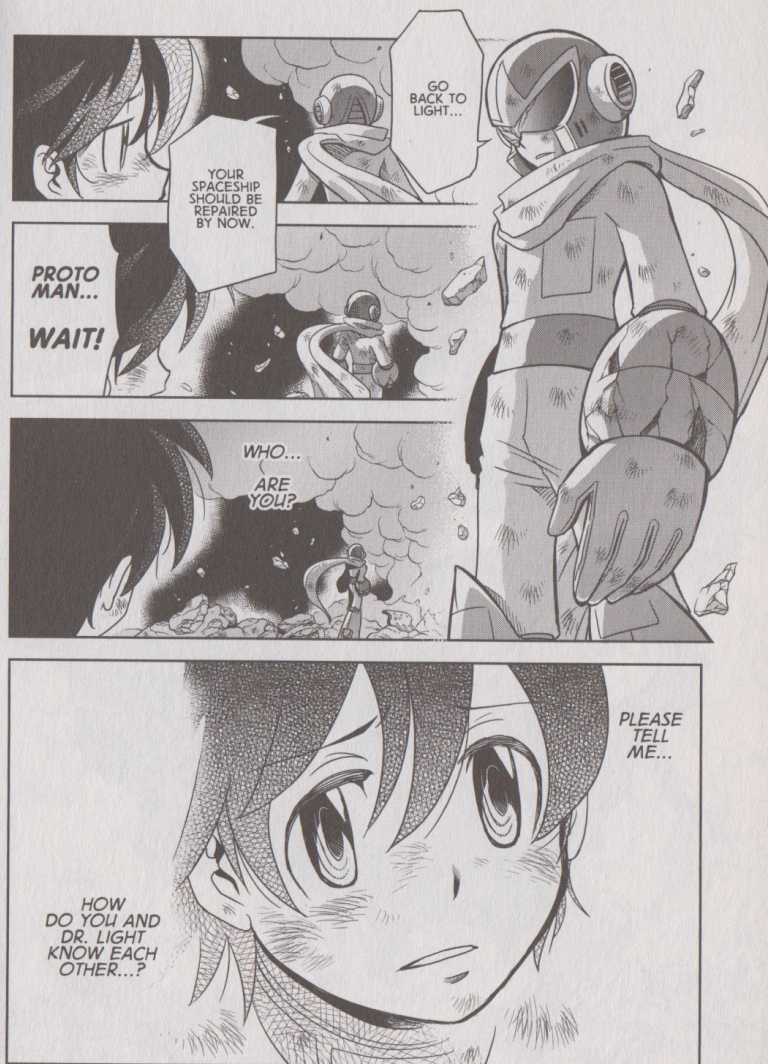
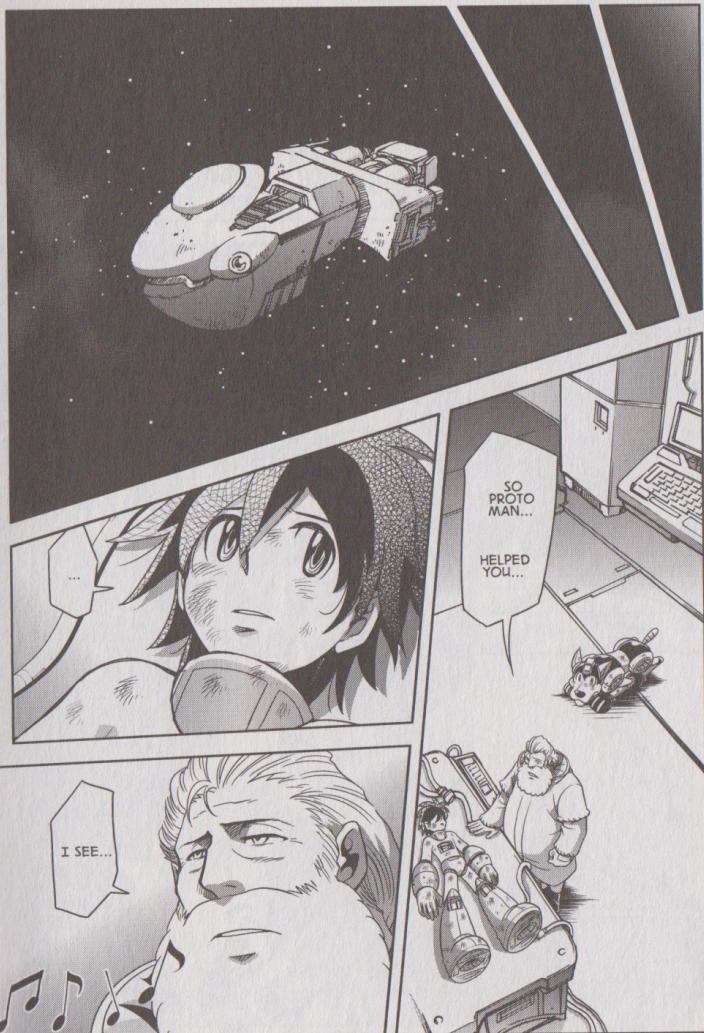


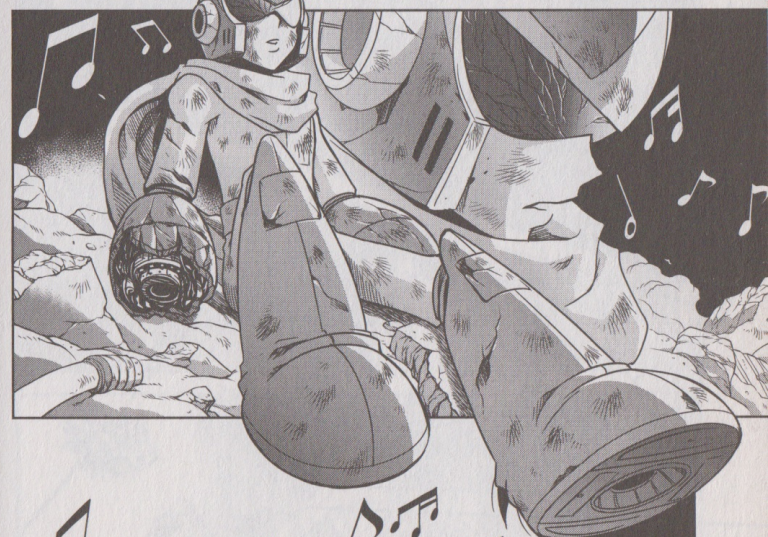














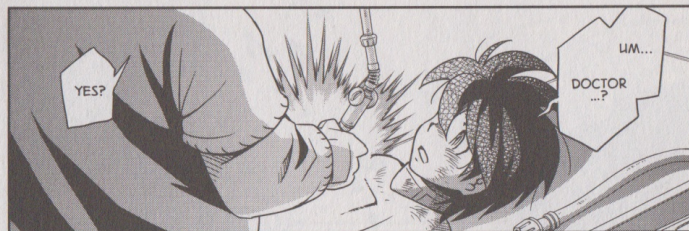
I HOPE
I SEE YOU
AGAIN SOME
DAY...

PROTO
MAN...

I DON'T
KNOW WHY,
BUT...

WHEN
I WAS WITH
PROTO MAN,
SOMETHING
FELT SO
FAMILIAR...

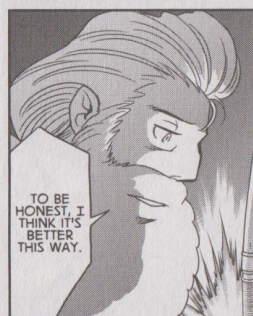
ALMOST
NOSTALGIC.



YES?

UM...

DOCTOR
...?

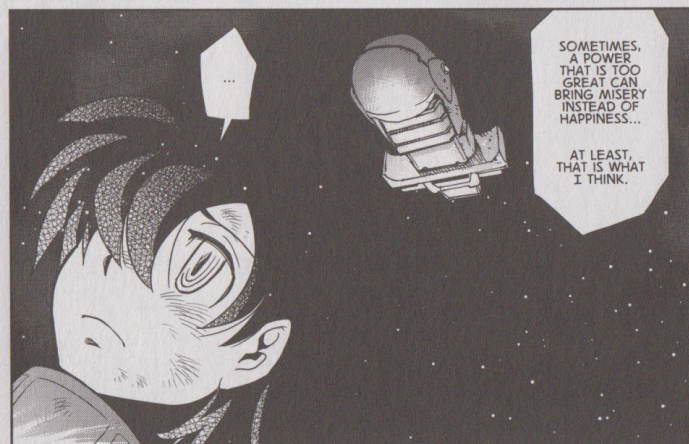


TO BE
HONEST, I
THINK IT'S
BETTER
THIS WAY.



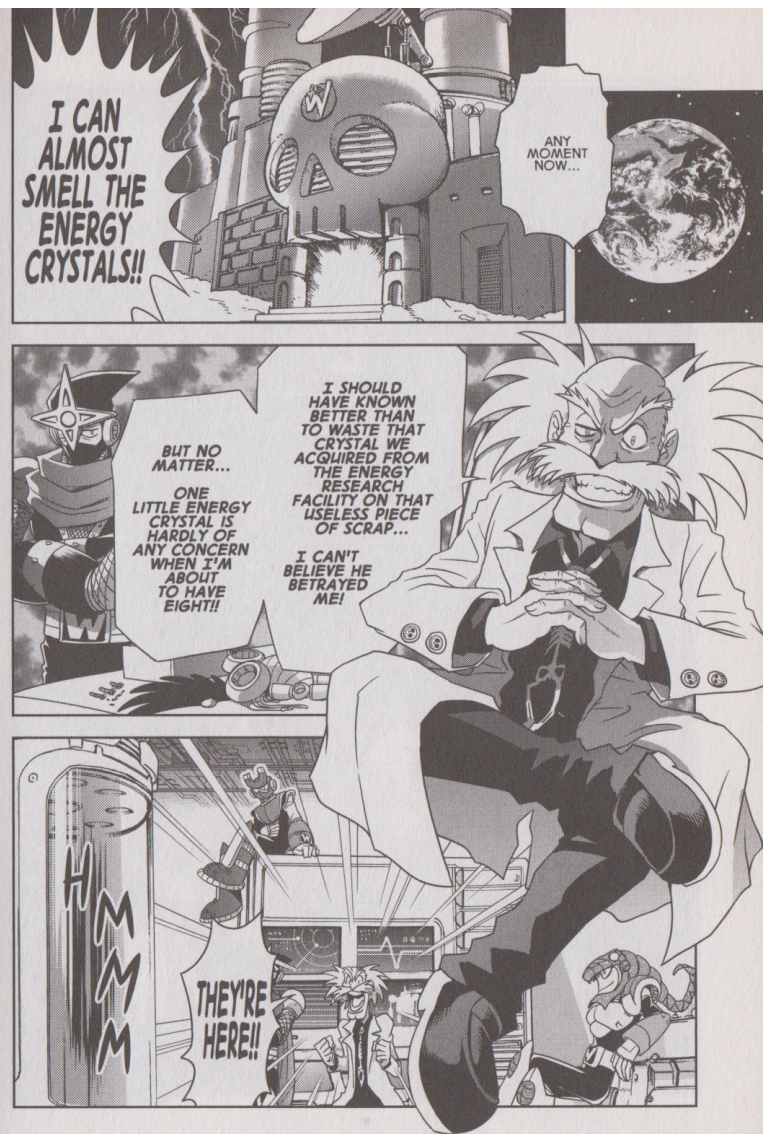
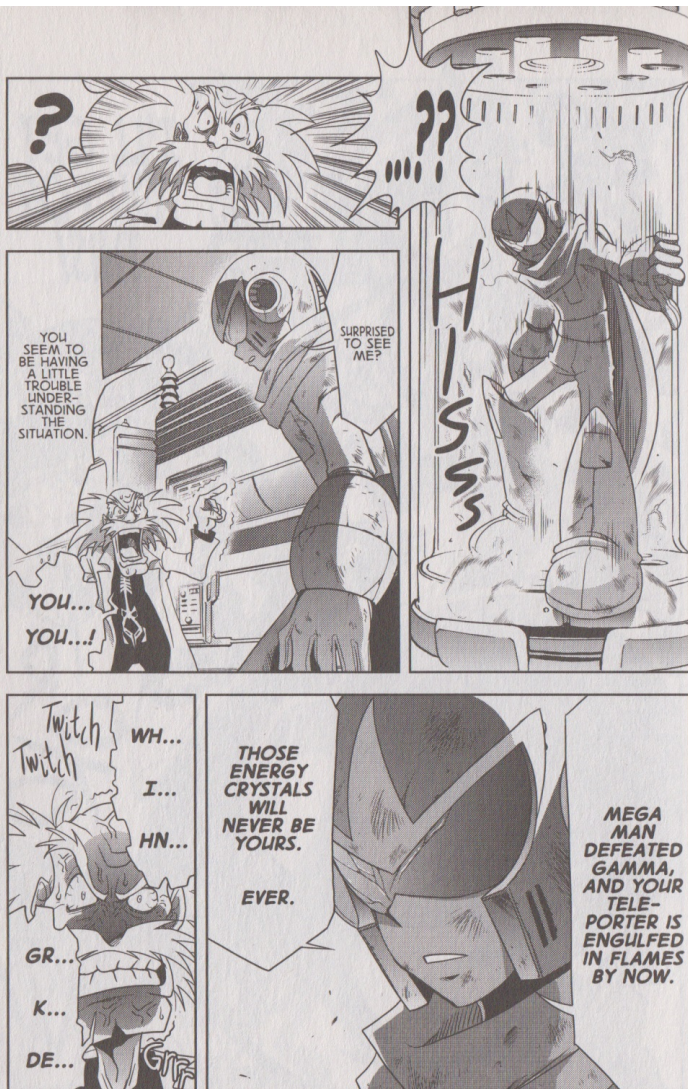
I...

I'M SORRY
I WASN'T
ABLE TO
GET THOSE
ENERGY
CRYSTALS
FOR YOU...



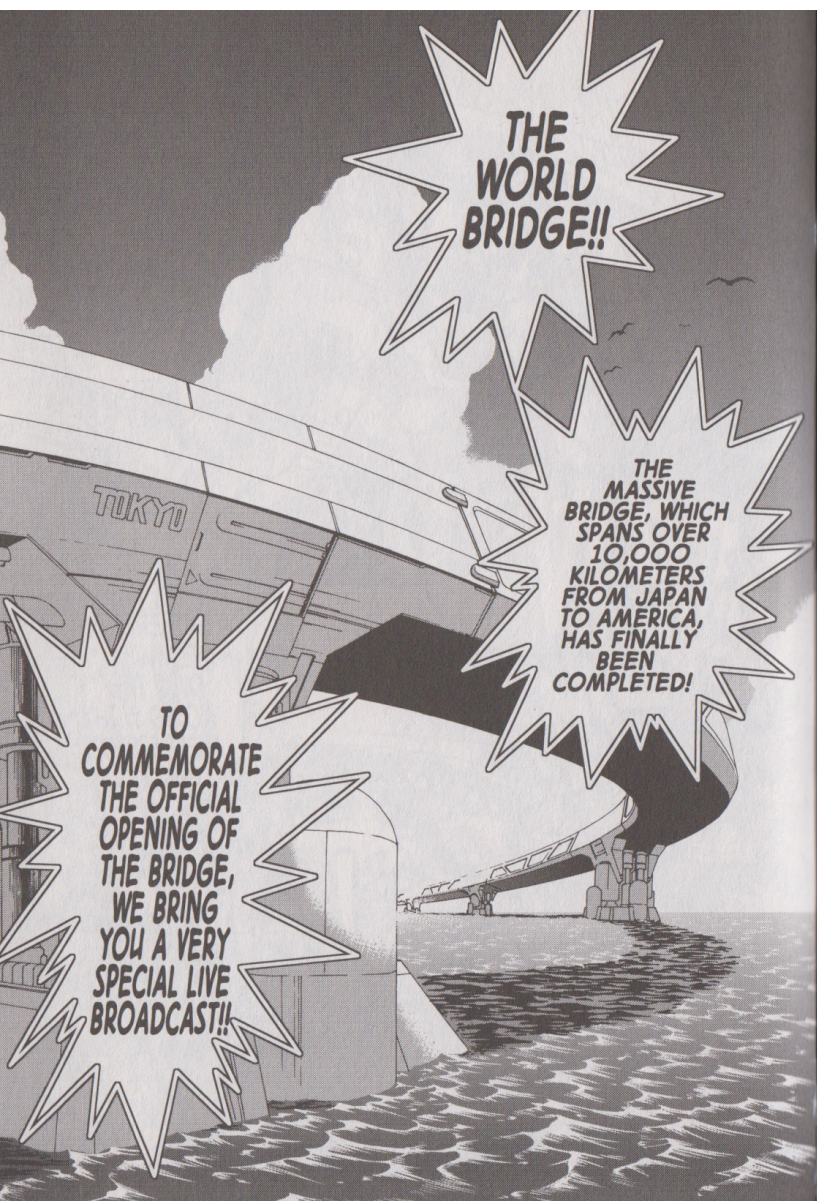
SOMETIMES,
A POWER
THAT IS TOO
GREAT CAN
BRING MISERY
INSTEAD OF
HAPPINESS...

AT LEAST,
THAT IS WHAT
I THINK.





Asteroid Blues • Fin



**THE
WORLD
BRIDGE!!**

**THE
MASSIVE
BRIDGE, WHICH
SPANS OVER
10,000
KILOMETERS
FROM JAPAN
TO AMERICA,
HAS FINALLY
BEEN
COMPLETED!**

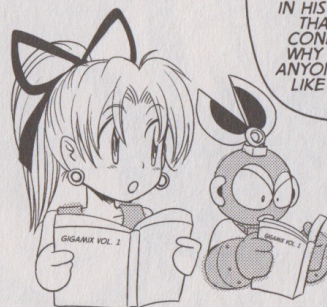
**TO
COMMEMORATE
THE OFFICIAL
OPENING OF
THE BRIDGE,
WE BRING
YOU A VERY
SPECIAL LIVE
BROADCAST!!**

GROWN-UP
REASONS.
DON'T WORRY
ABOUT IT.

READ THE
AFTERWORD
FOR MORE
DETAILS.

SO LET
ME GET THIS
STRAIGHT...
"ASTEROID BLUES"
IS THE SEQUEL TO
"R DESTRUCTION
ORDER" FROM
THE MEGAMIX
BOOKS...

AND THE
NEXT STORY
TAKES PLACE
AFTER "THE
GREATEST ENEMY
IN HISTORY...?"
THAT'S SO
CONFUSING.
WHY WOULD
ANYONE DO IT
LIKE THAT?



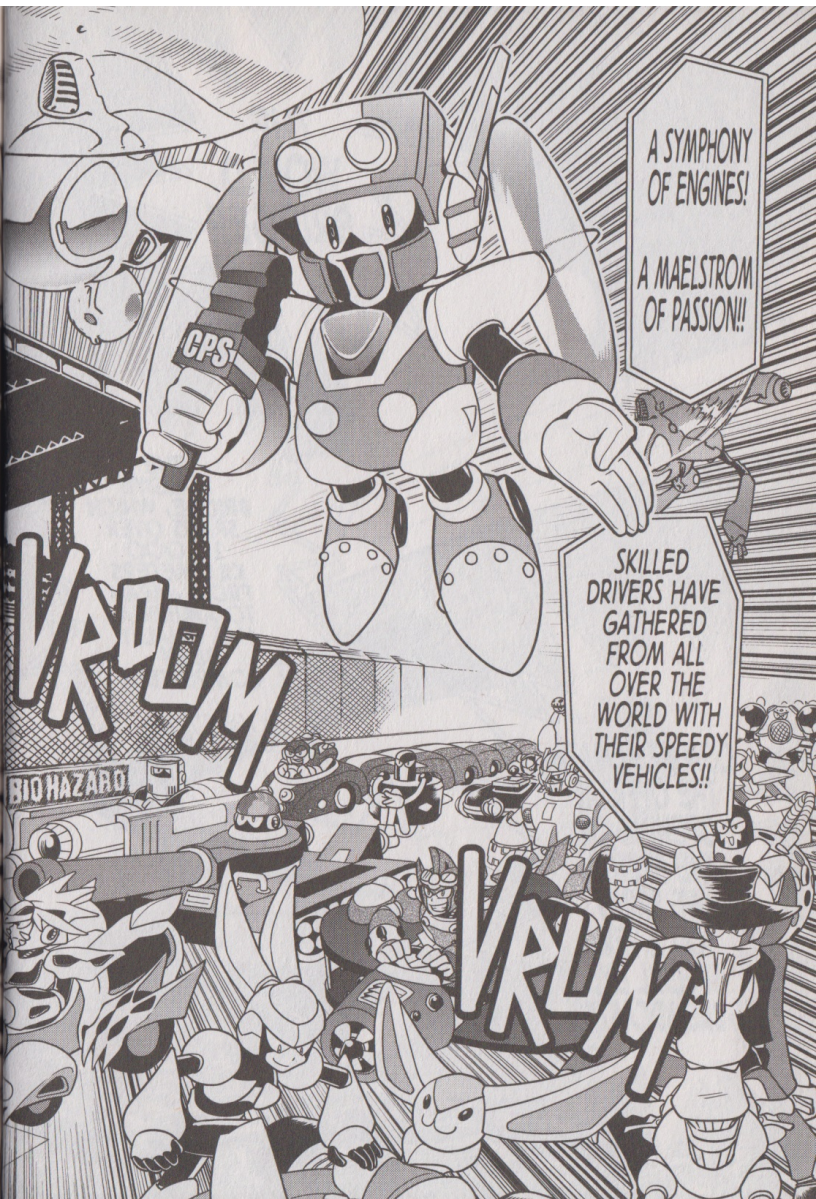
← WITH THAT IN MIND, PLEASE
ENJOY THE NEXT STORY!

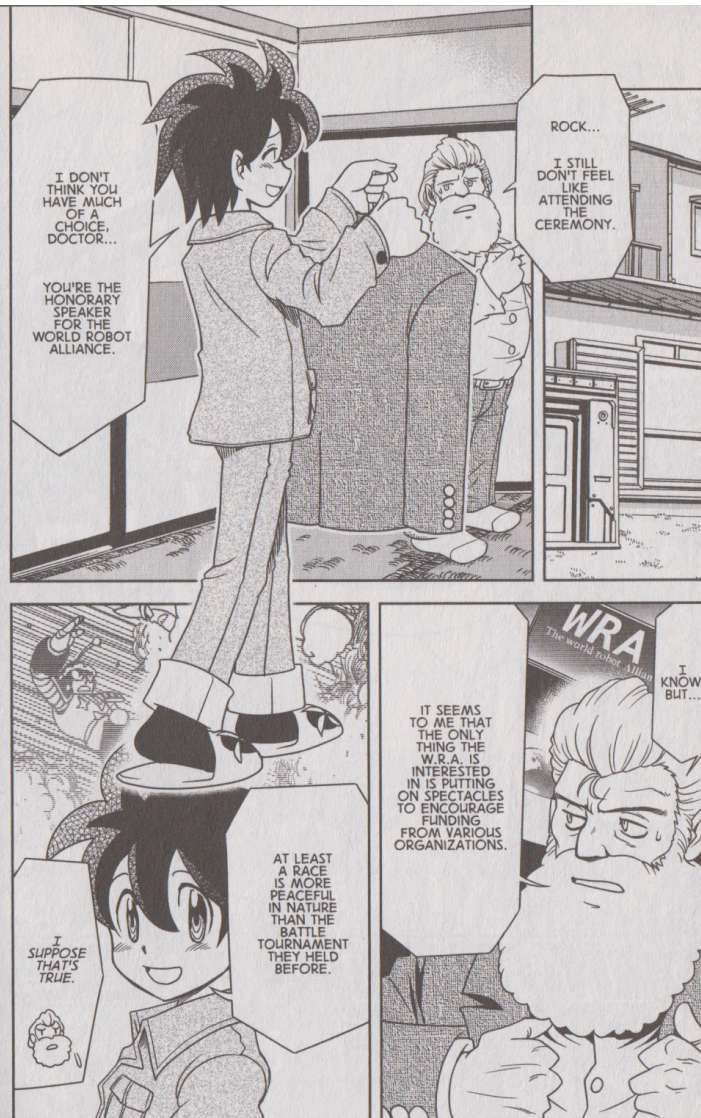
WE'RE
GEARING UP
TO BRING
YOU THE
EXCITEMENT
OF "BATTLE &
CHASE: RACE
ACROSS
THE WORLD
BRIDGE!!!"



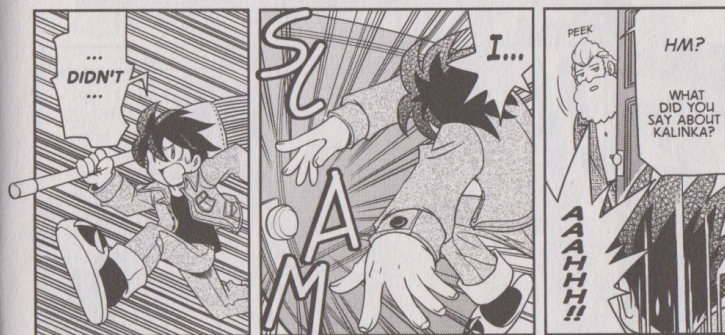
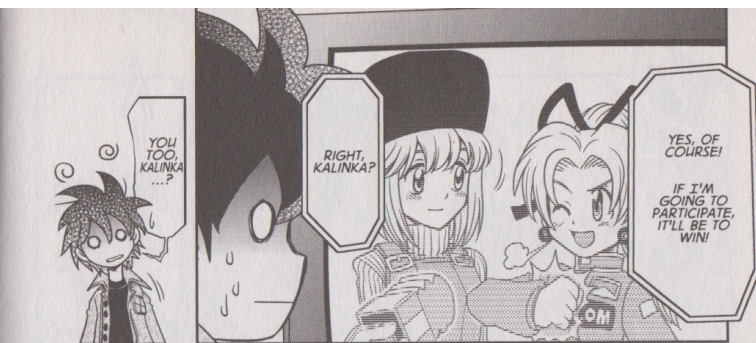
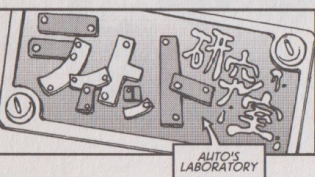
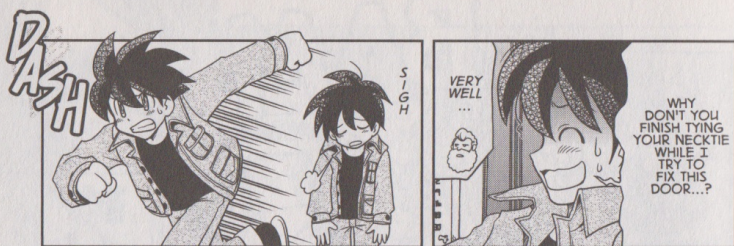
A SYMPHONY
OF ENGINES!
A MAELSTROM
OF PASSION!!

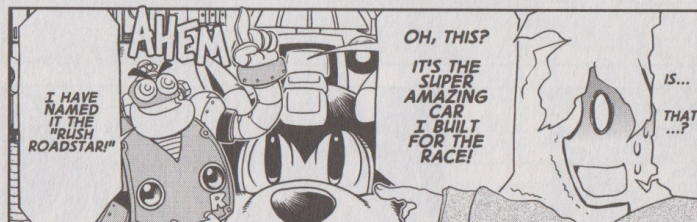
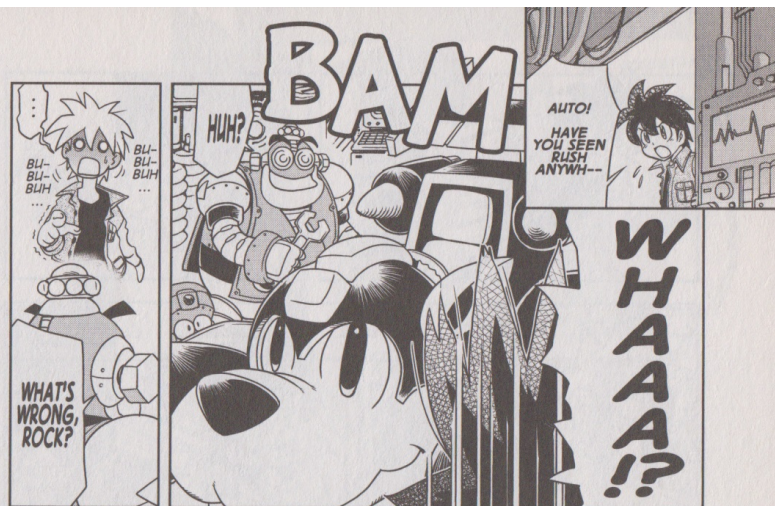
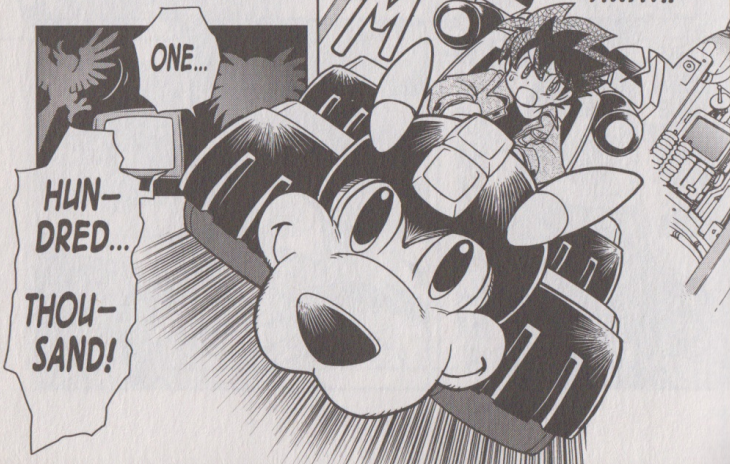
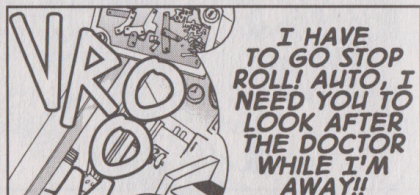
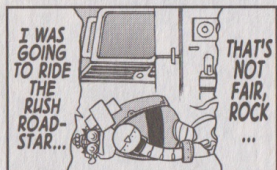
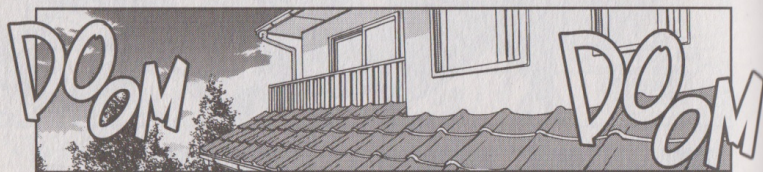
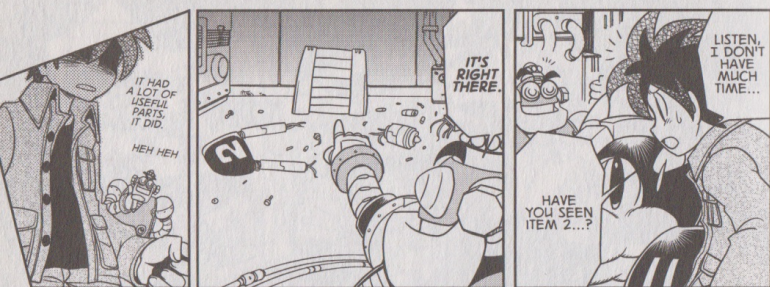
SKILLED
DRIVERS HAVE
GATHERED
FROM ALL
OVER THE
WORLD WITH
THEIR SPEEDY
VEHICLES!!

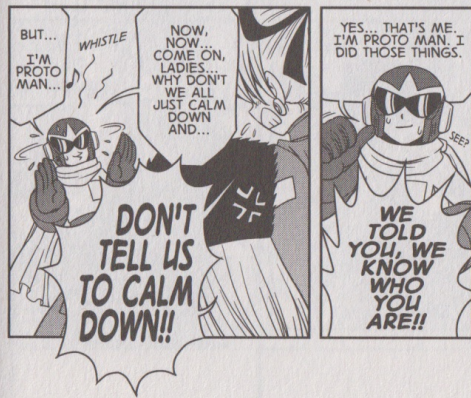
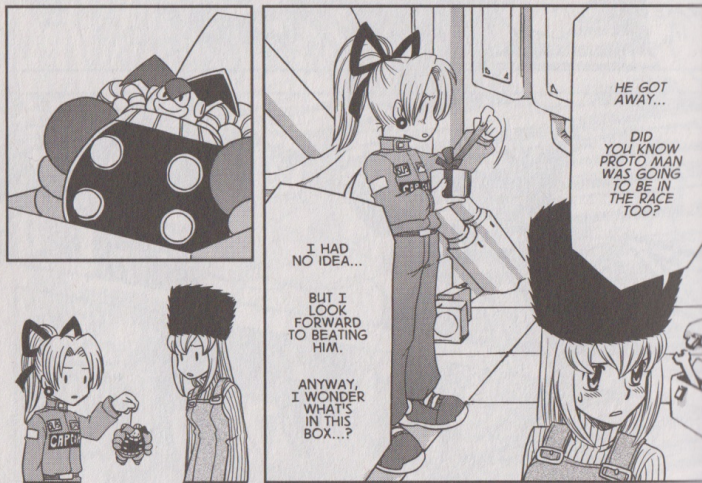
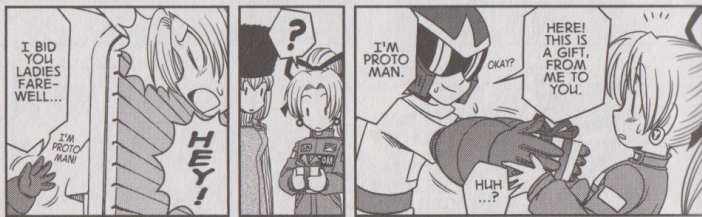


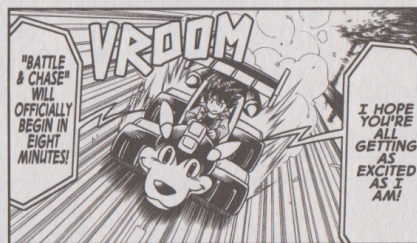
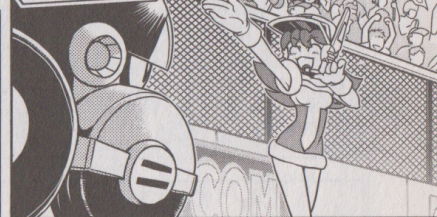
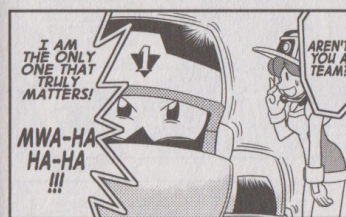
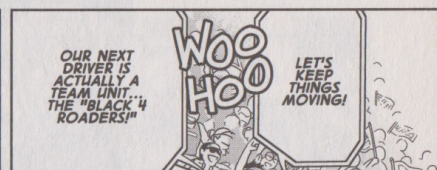


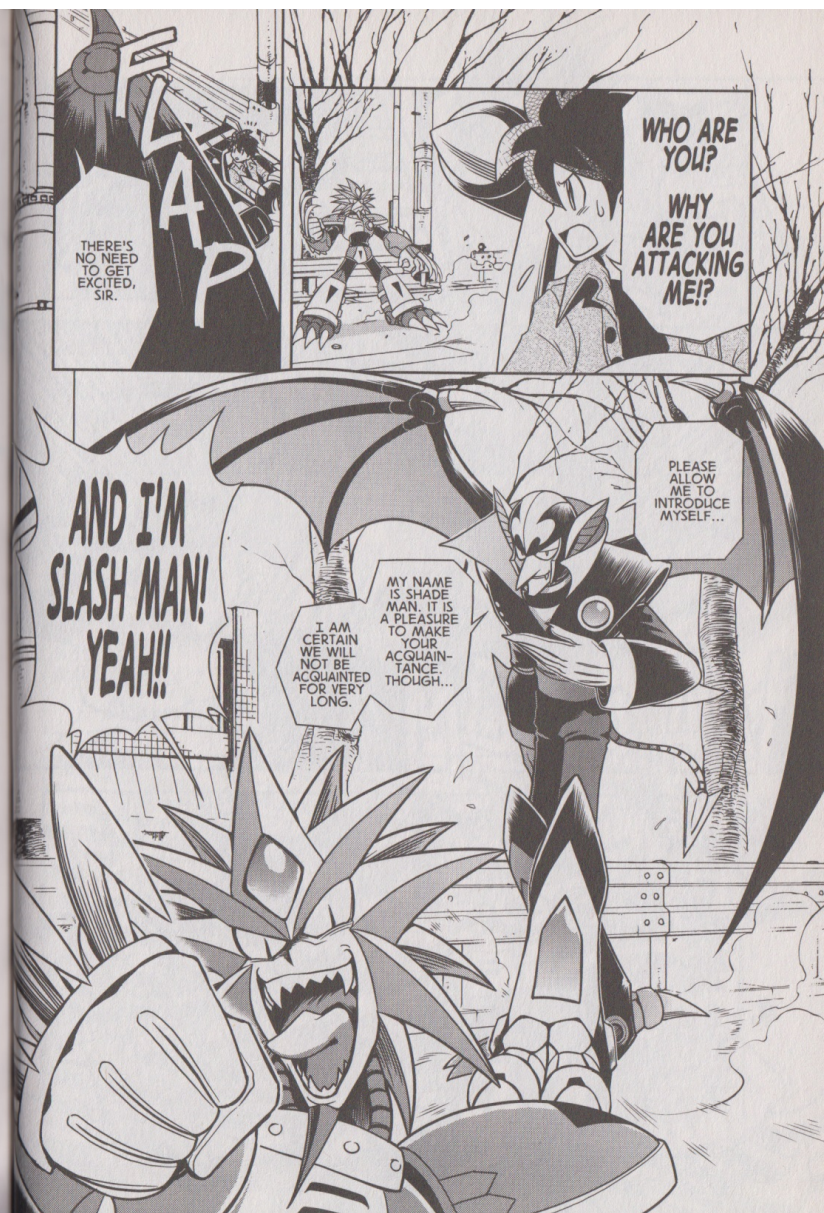
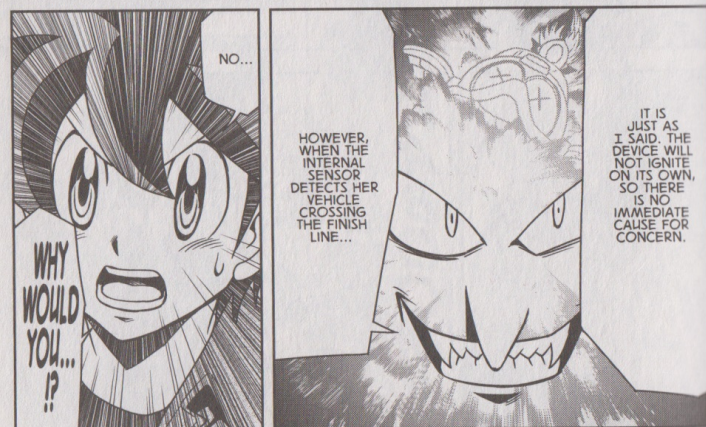
*WRA = WORLD ROBOT ALLIANCE

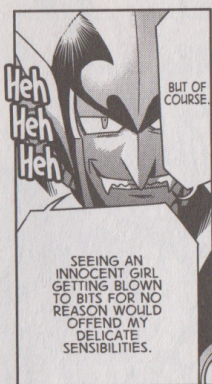












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BUT OF
COURSE.

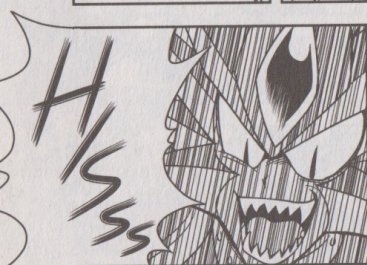
SEEING AN
INNOCENT GIRL
GETTING BLOWN
TO BITS FOR NO
REASON WOULD
OFFEND MY
DELICATE
SENSIBILITIES.



I'LL ENTER
THE RACE...

YOU'D
BETTER
KEEP
YOUR END
OF THE
BARGAIN!

AND
I'LL
WIN!!



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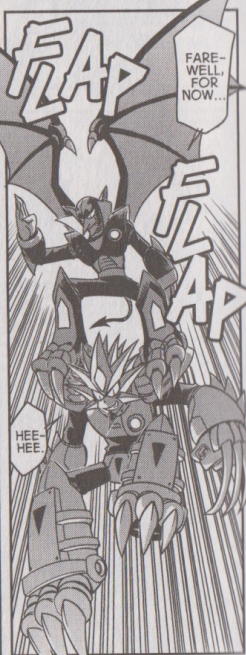


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TELL
ME WHO
YOUR
MASTER
IS!!



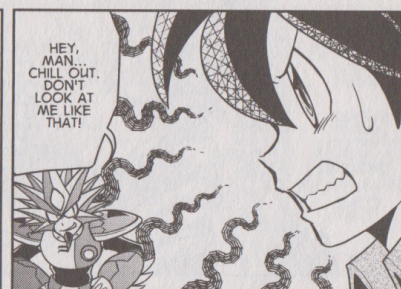
HEE-
HEE.

FARE-
WELL,
FOR
NOW...



YOU
MUST
PARTICI-
PATE IN
"BATTLE &
CHASE."

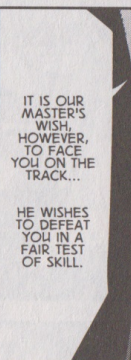
THERE
IS A WAY
FOR YOU
TO SAVE
HER LIFE,
IF YOU
FEEL SO
INCLINED.



HEY,
MAN...
CHILL OUT.
DON'T
LOOK AT
ME LIKE
THAT!



FAIR?
YOU CALL
THREATS
AND
BOMBS
FAIR...?



IT IS OUR
MASTER'S
WISH.
HOWEVER,
TO FACE
YOU ON THE
TRACK...

HE WISHES
TO DEFEAT
YOU IN A
FAIR TEST
OF SKILL.



IT WOULD
BE A VERY
SIMPLE TASK
FOR US TO
DETONATE
THE
EXPLOSIVE
DEVICE
REMOTELY,
AT ANY
GIVEN
MOMENT.

WHAT?



FINE...
I'LL
DO IT...

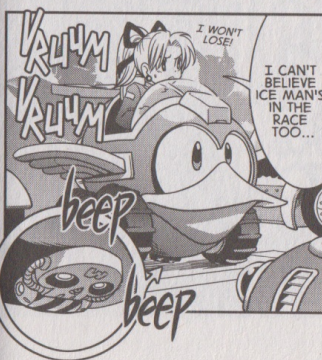
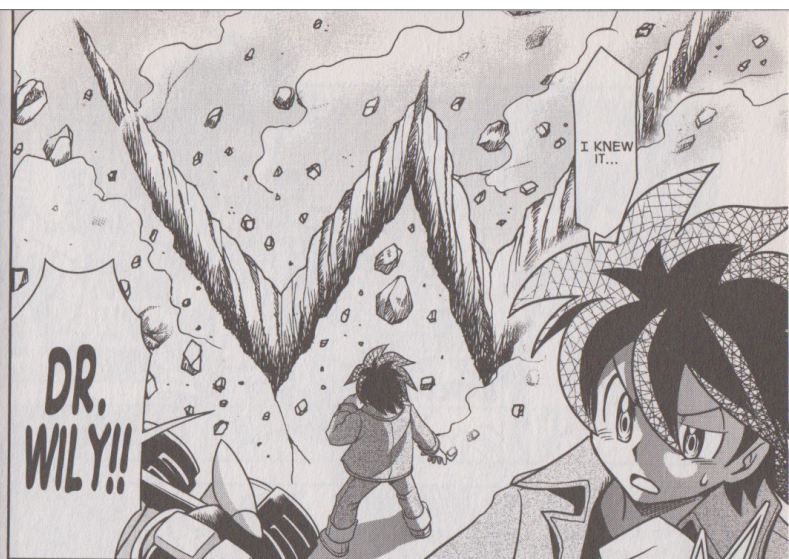
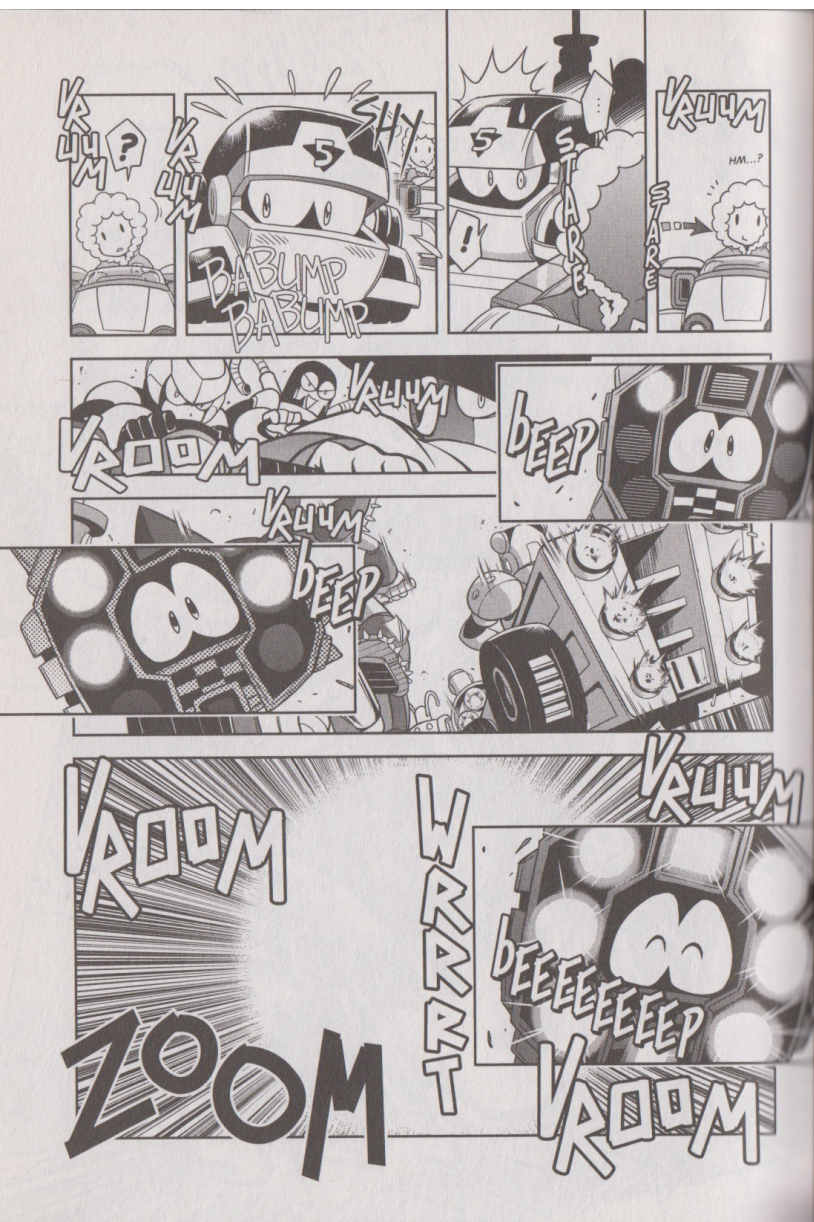
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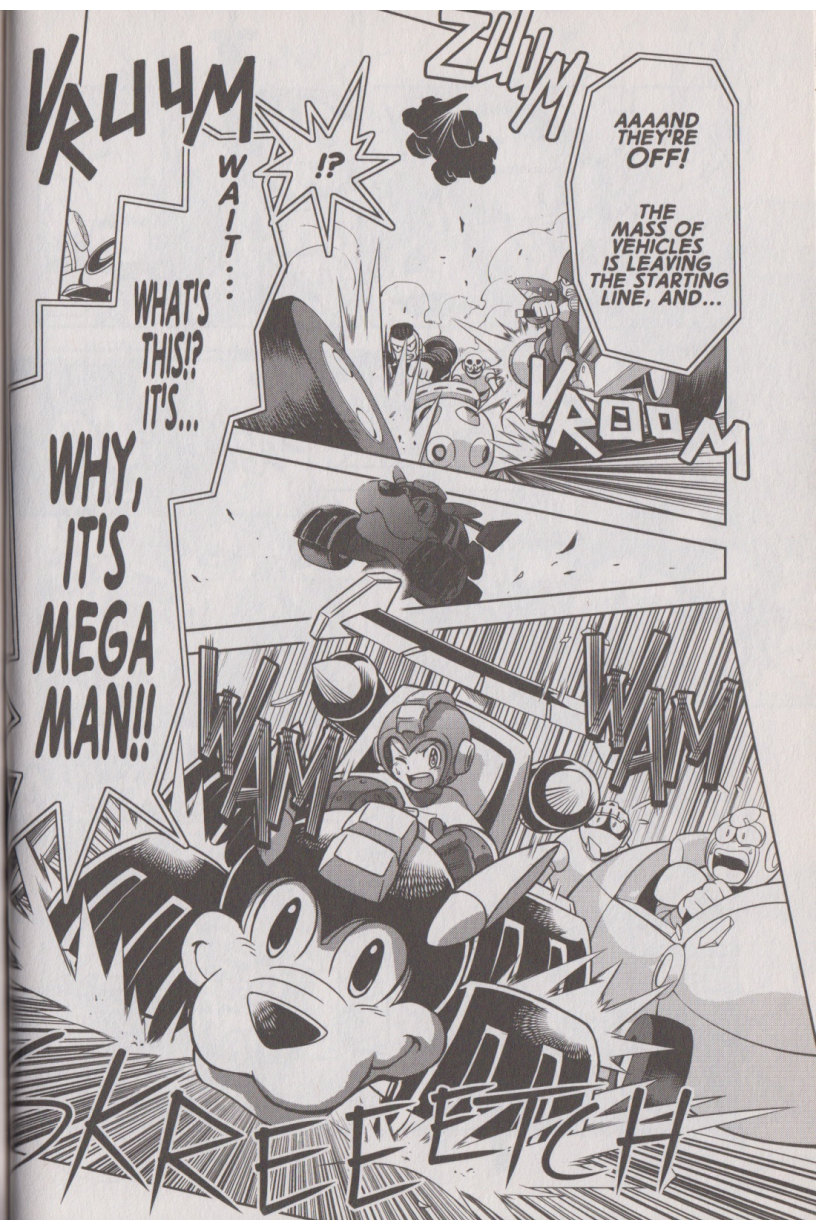
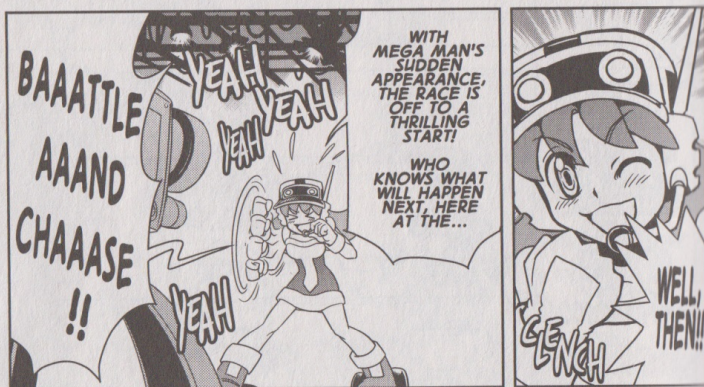
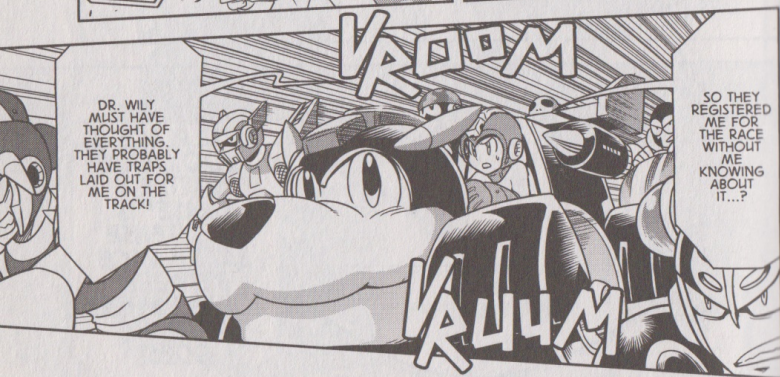


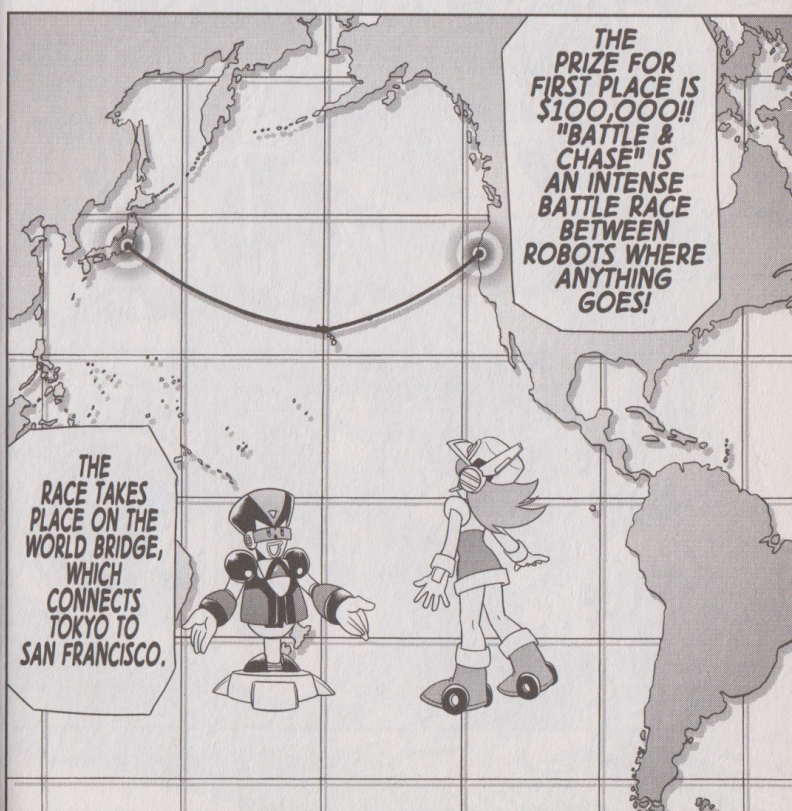
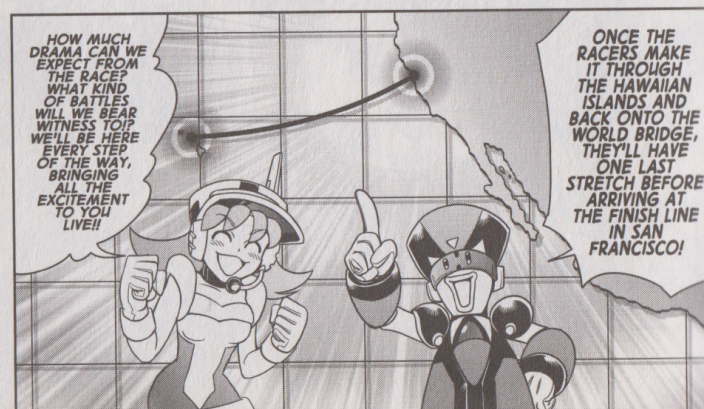
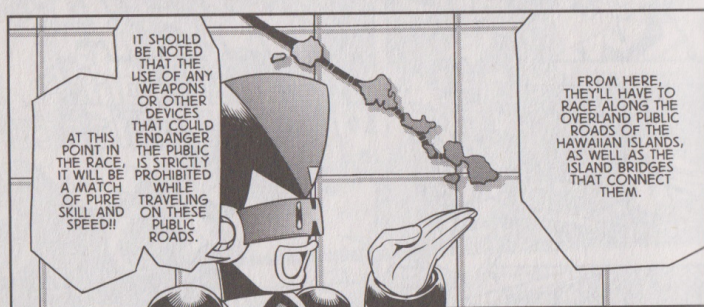
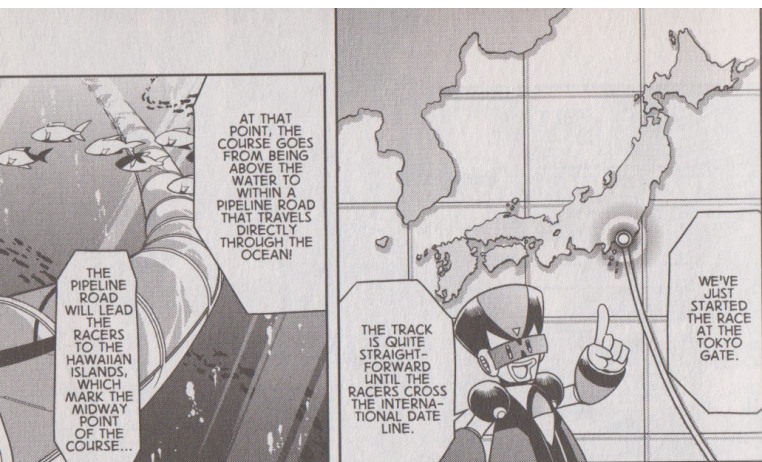
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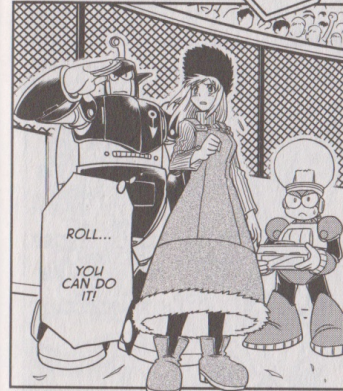
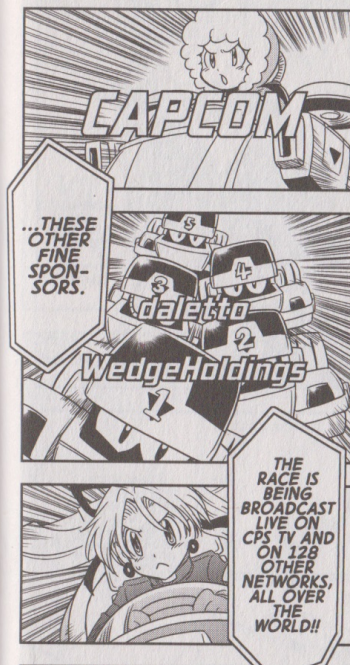
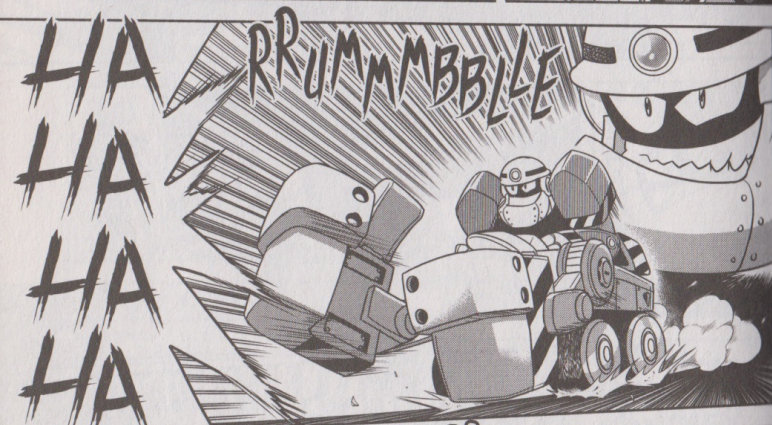
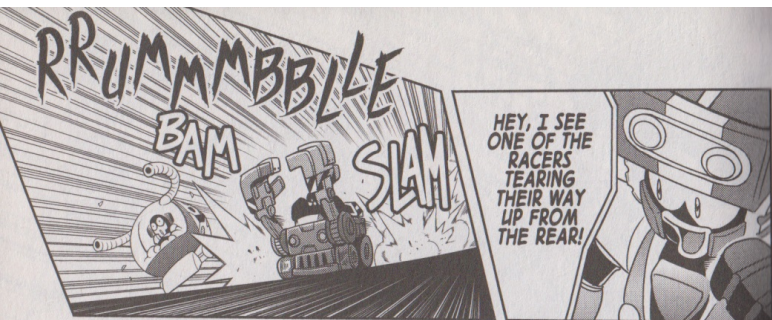
SHOULD
YOU LOSE,
OR SHOULD
YOU MAKE
THE UNWISE
DECISION TO
REVEAL OUR
CONVERSA-
TION TO ANYONE...

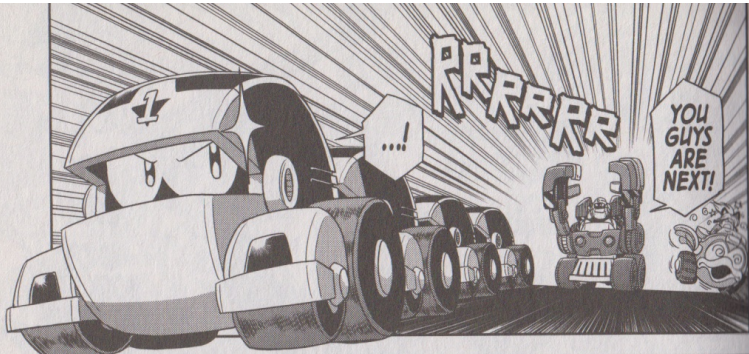
YOU
NEED
ONLY TO
WIN THE
RACE,
AND NO
ONE
WILL GET
HURT.











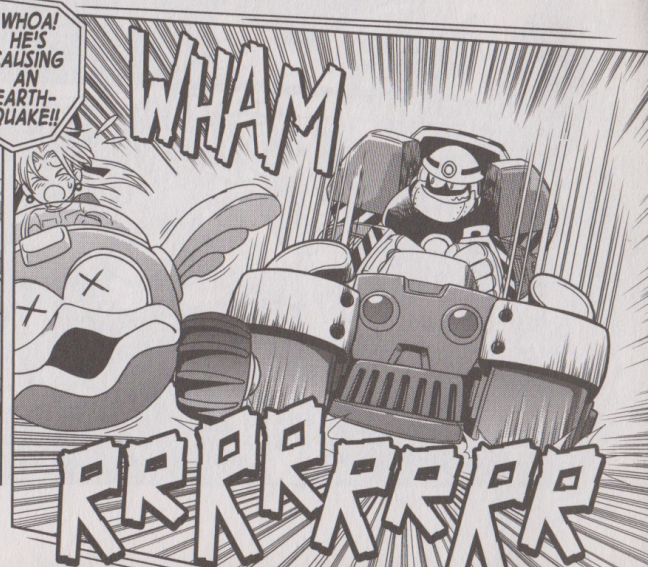
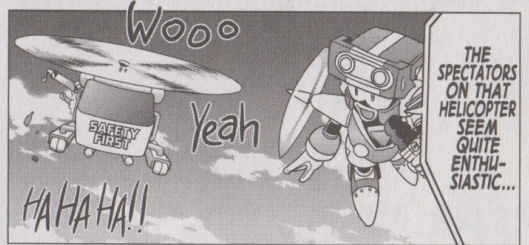
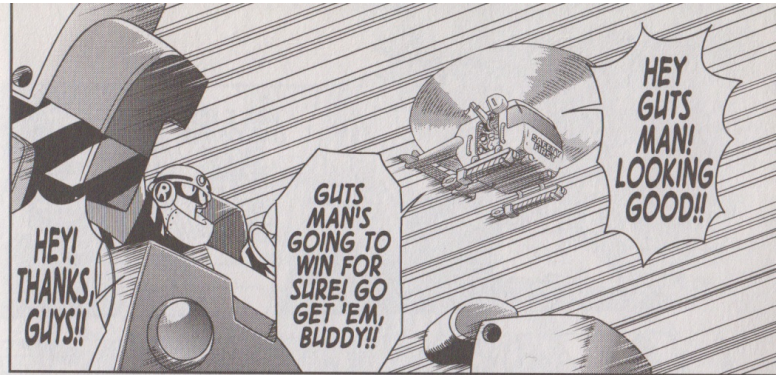
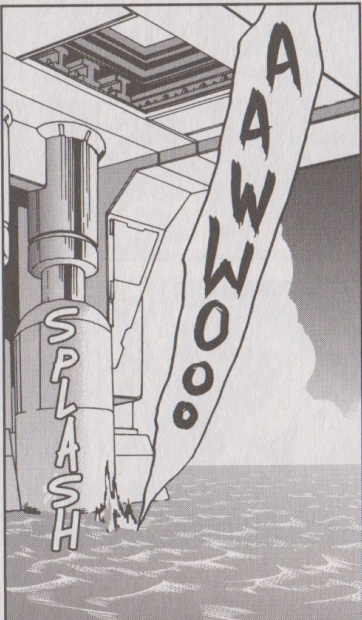
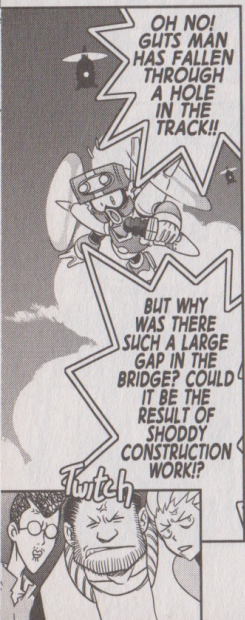
YOU GUYS ARE NEXT!

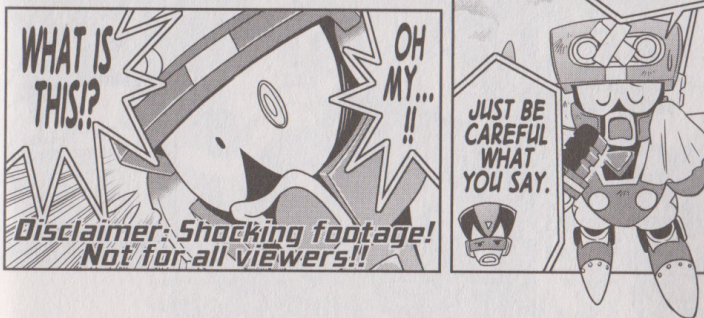
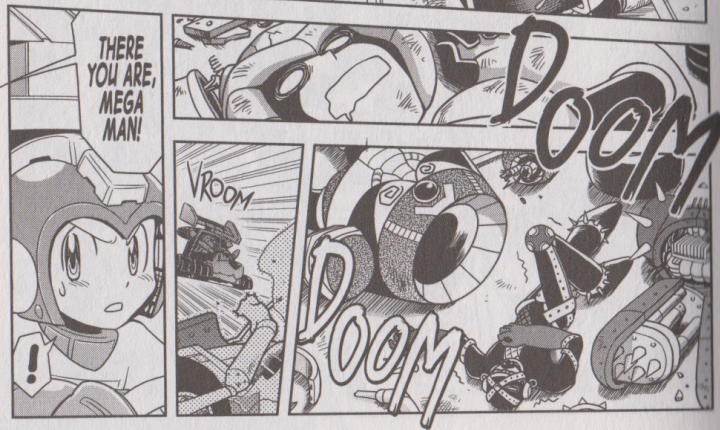
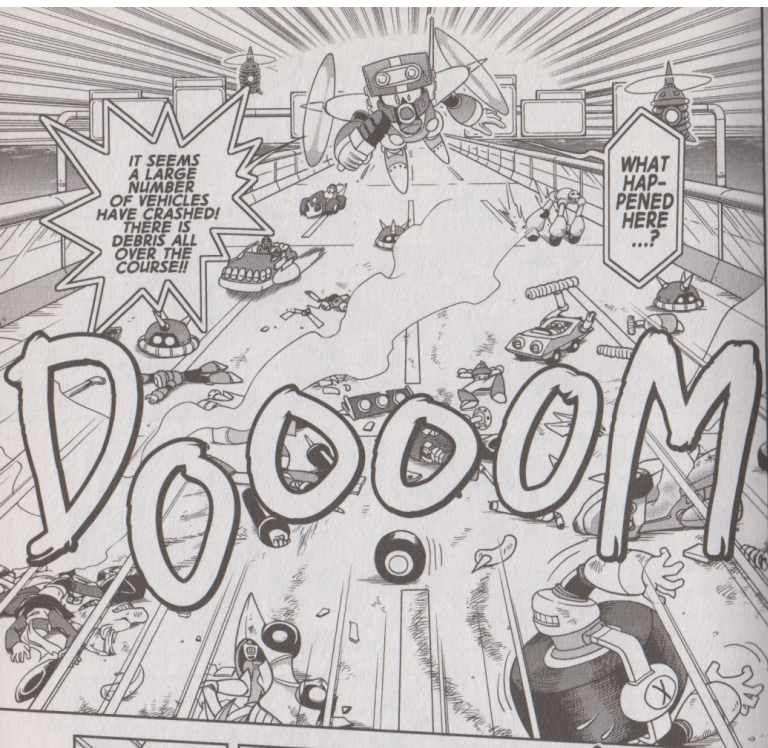
THAT WAS EASY !!

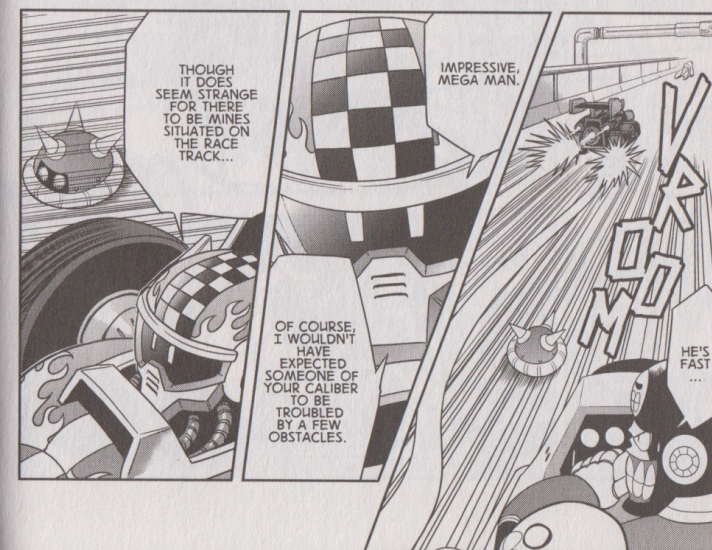
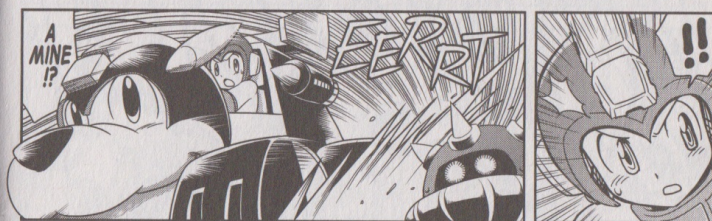
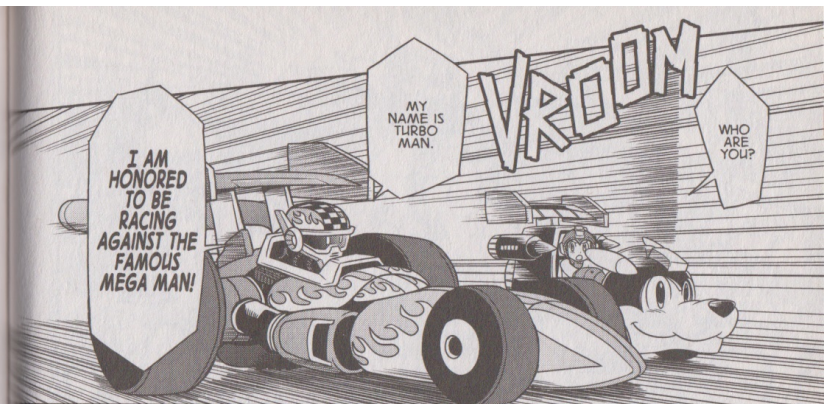
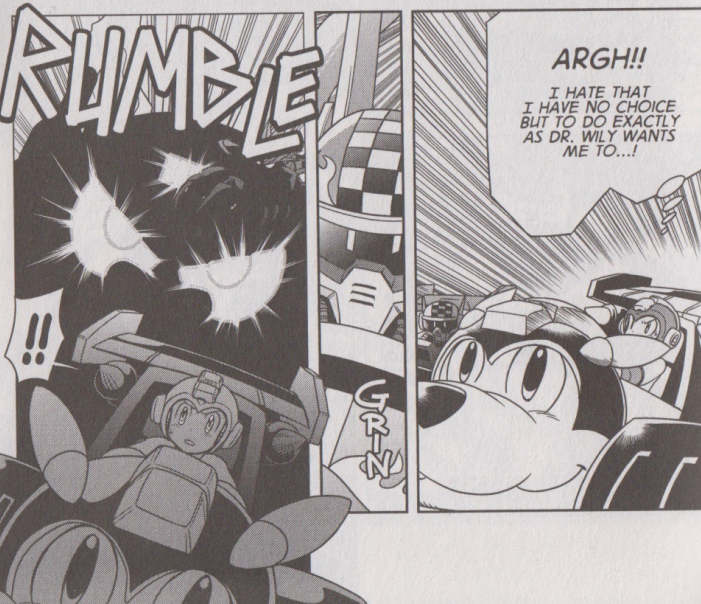
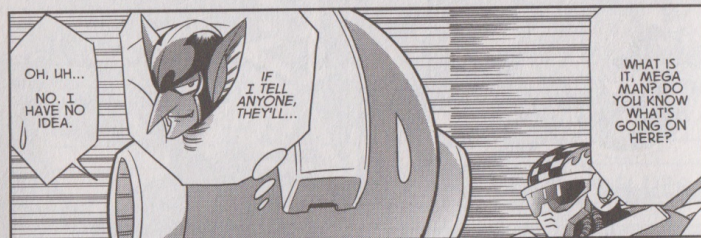
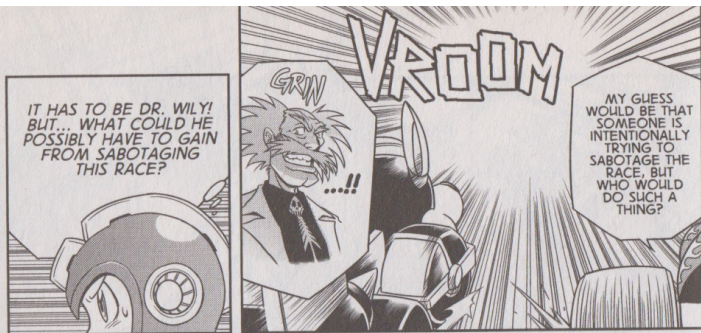
HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA !!

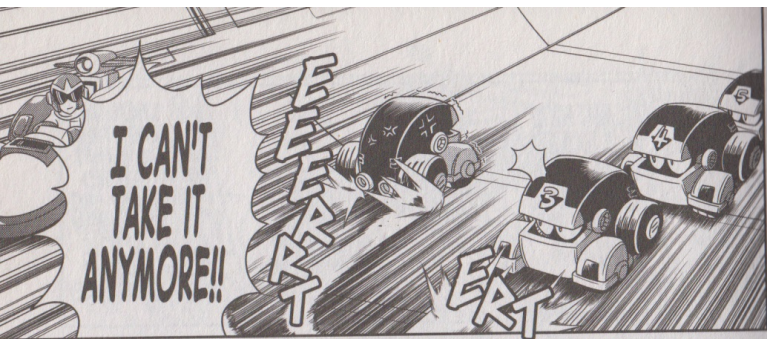
OH...

Dodge









I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE!!

E E E A T

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I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS!

BOOM

SHUT UP!!

WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?!

WHAT?!



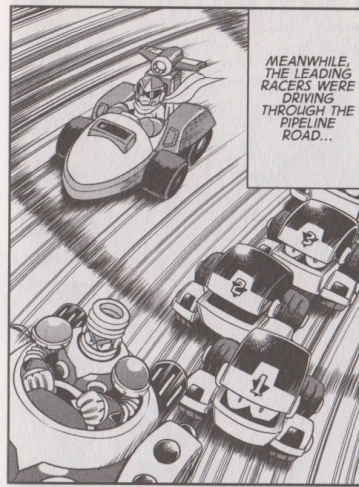
I'M TIRED OF WAITING! I'M GOING TO FIND HIM MYSELF!!

V R A O O M

I PLAYED ALONG BECAUSE YOU SAID I'D GET A CHANCE TO FIGHT MEGA MAN!

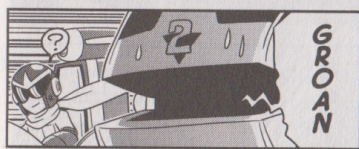
IT SEEMS THE IDENTITY OF THE NO. 2 CAR OF THE "BLACK 4 ROADERS" TEAM IS ACTUALLY BASS! YES, THAT'S DEFINITELY BASS!!

THE CAMERAS SITUATED IN THE PIPELINE ROAD ARE SENDING US SOME SURPRISING FOOTAGE!

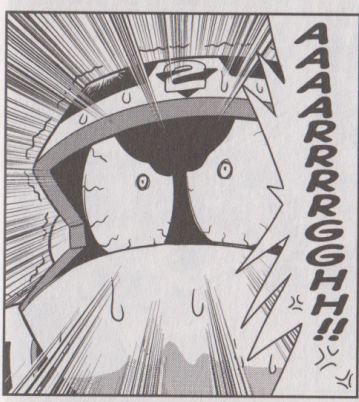


MEANWHILE, THE LEADING RACERS WERE DRIVING THROUGH THE PIPELINE ROAD...

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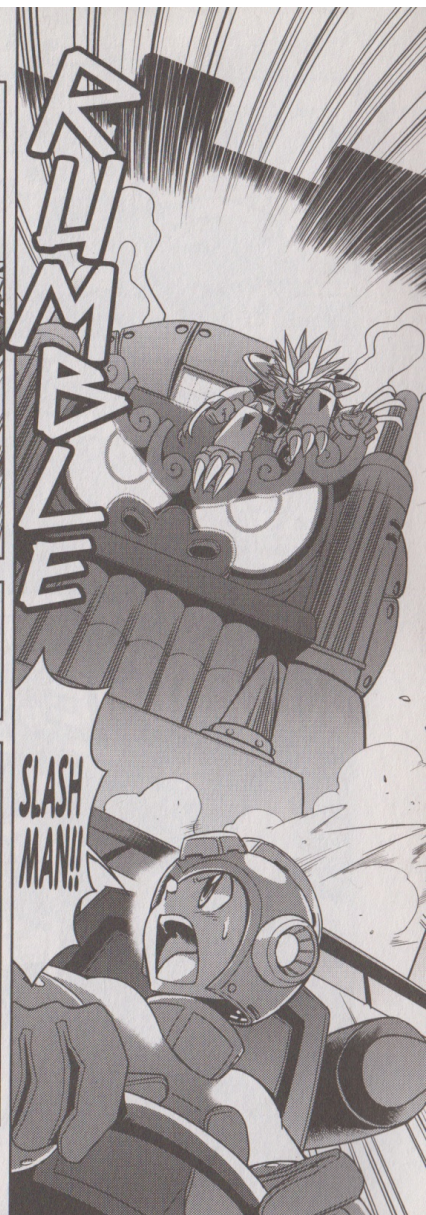


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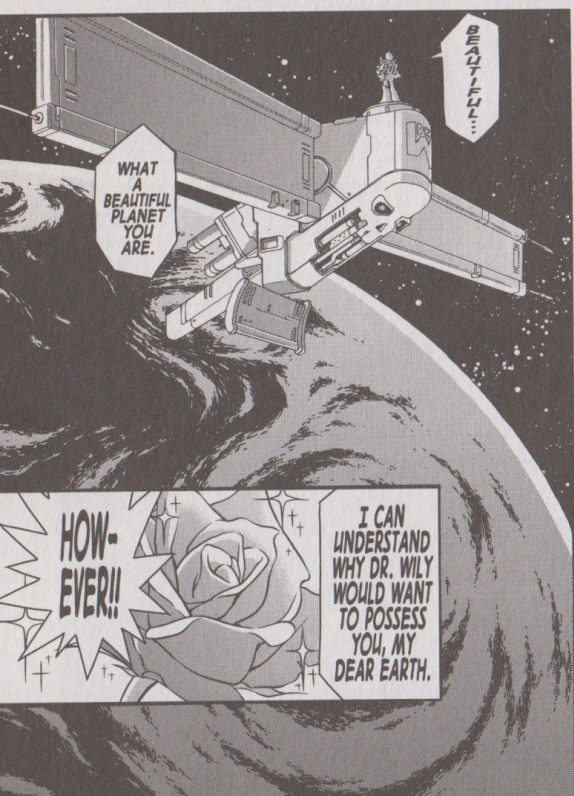
SLASH MAN!!





THEN I WAS GOING TO WIN THE RACE AND WALK AWAY WITH THE PRIZE MONEY! TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE! IT WAS THE PERFECT PLAN!!

GAH! THE WHOLE POINT WAS TO GET MEGA MAN IN THE RACE SO THAT WE COULD DESTROY HIM WHILE MAKING IT LOOK LIKE A RACING ACCIDENT!



WHAT A BEAUTIFUL PLANET YOU ARE.

BEAUTIFUL...

THAT INSOLENT BASS HAS RUINED EVERYTHING!!

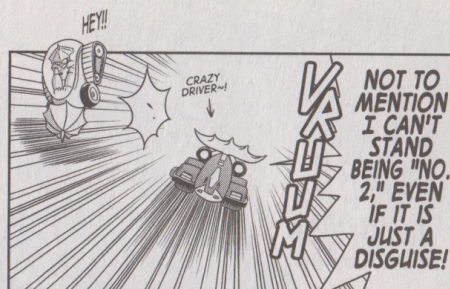
STAR MAAAN!!

I CAN UNDERSTAND WHY DR. WILY WOULD WANT TO POSSESS YOU, MY DEAR EARTH.

HOW-EVER!!



THAT FOOL! I TOLD HIM TO MAINTAIN HIS DISGUISE UNTIL THE END!!

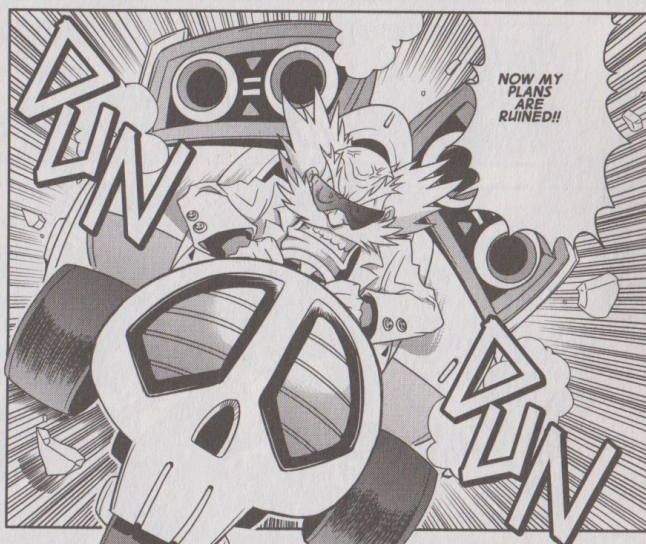


HEY!!

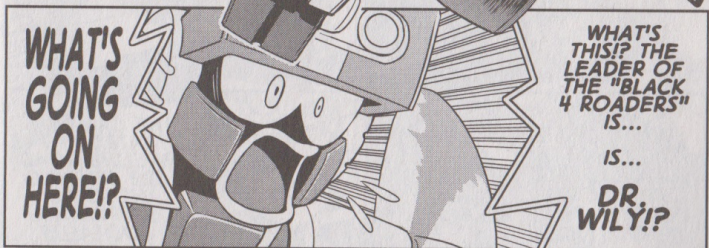
CRAZY DRIVER!!

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NOT TO MENTION I CAN'T STAND BEING "NO. 2," EVEN IF IT IS JUST A DISGUISE!



NOW MY PLANS ARE RUINED!!

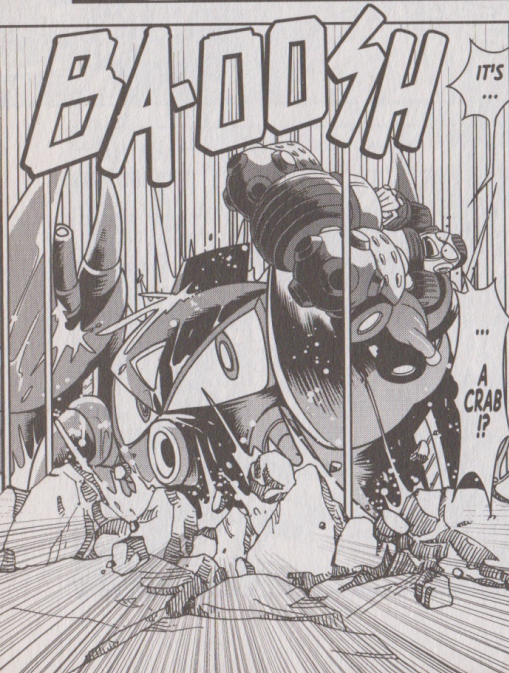
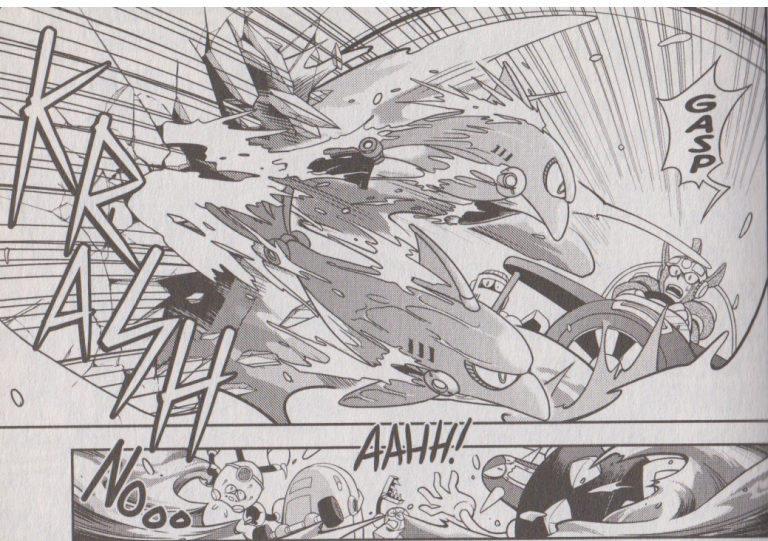


WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!?

WHAT'S THIS? THE LEADER OF THE "BLACK 4 ROADERS" IS...

IS...

DR. WILY!?



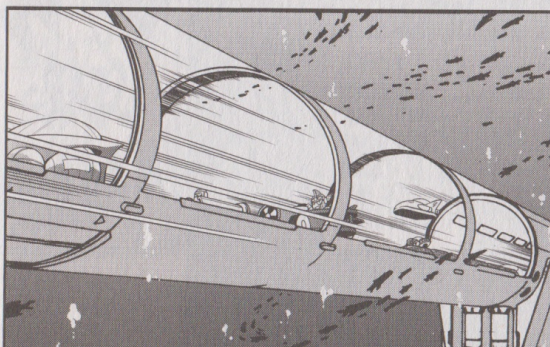
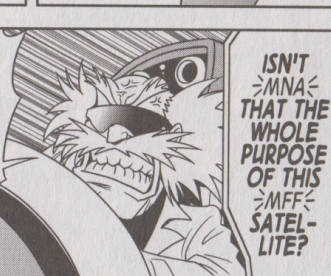
NOTE: STAR MAN IS OUT IN SPACE, SO HE HAS TO HAVE THE ROSE DIRECTLY IN HIS MOUTH IN ORDER TO COMMUNICATE WITH DR. WILY.

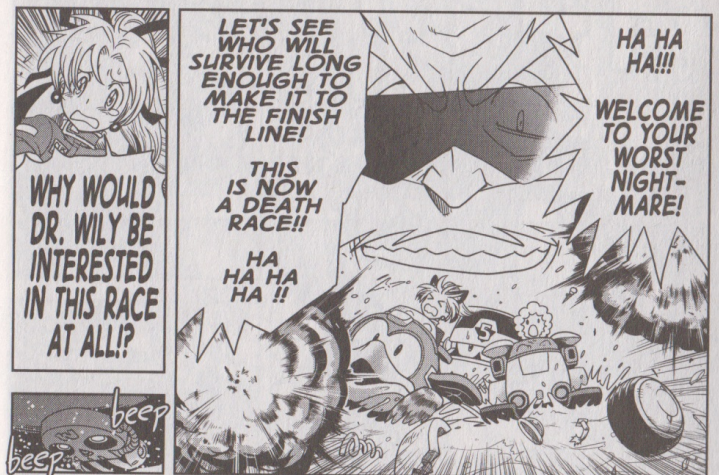
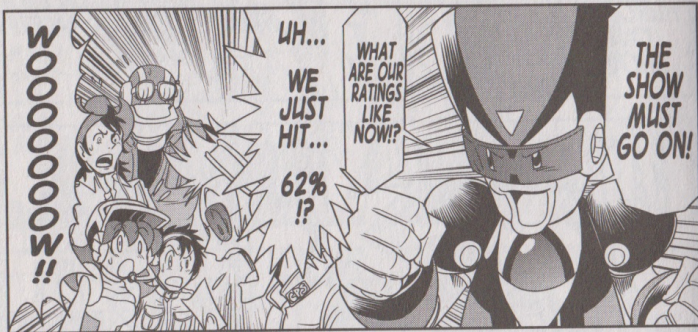
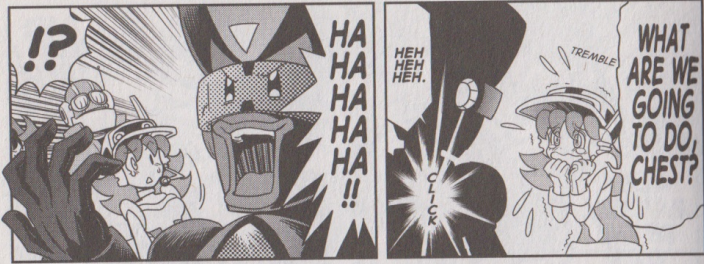


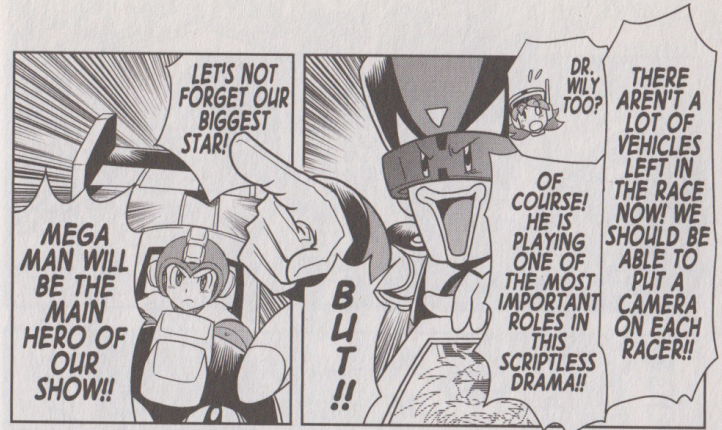
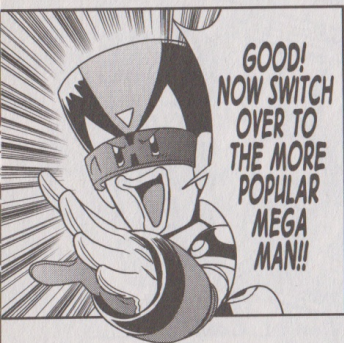
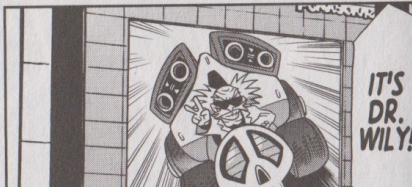
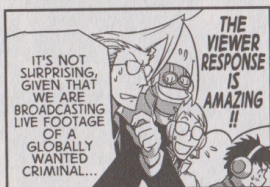
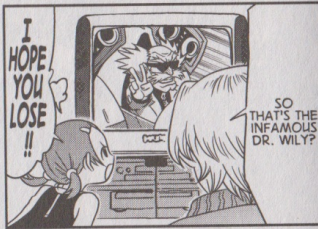
CHANGE OF PLANS! DO YOU HAVE A CLEAR VIEW OF ALL THE CARS IN THE RACE?



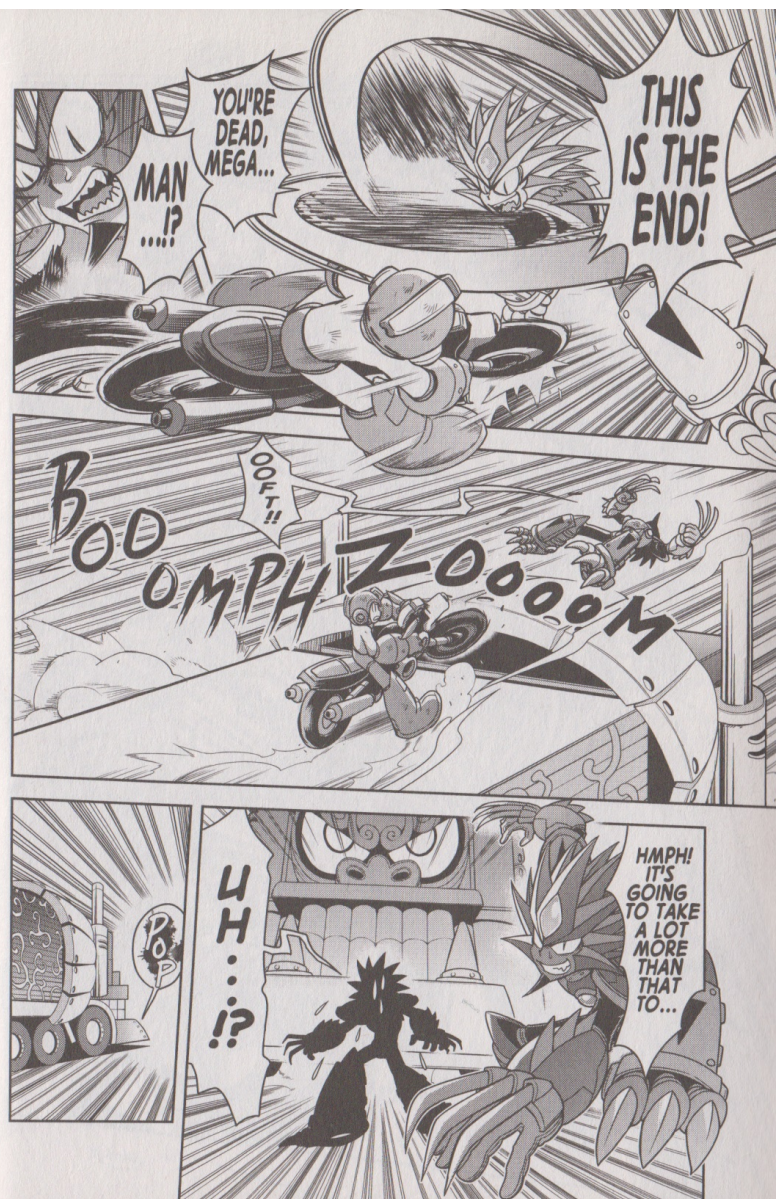
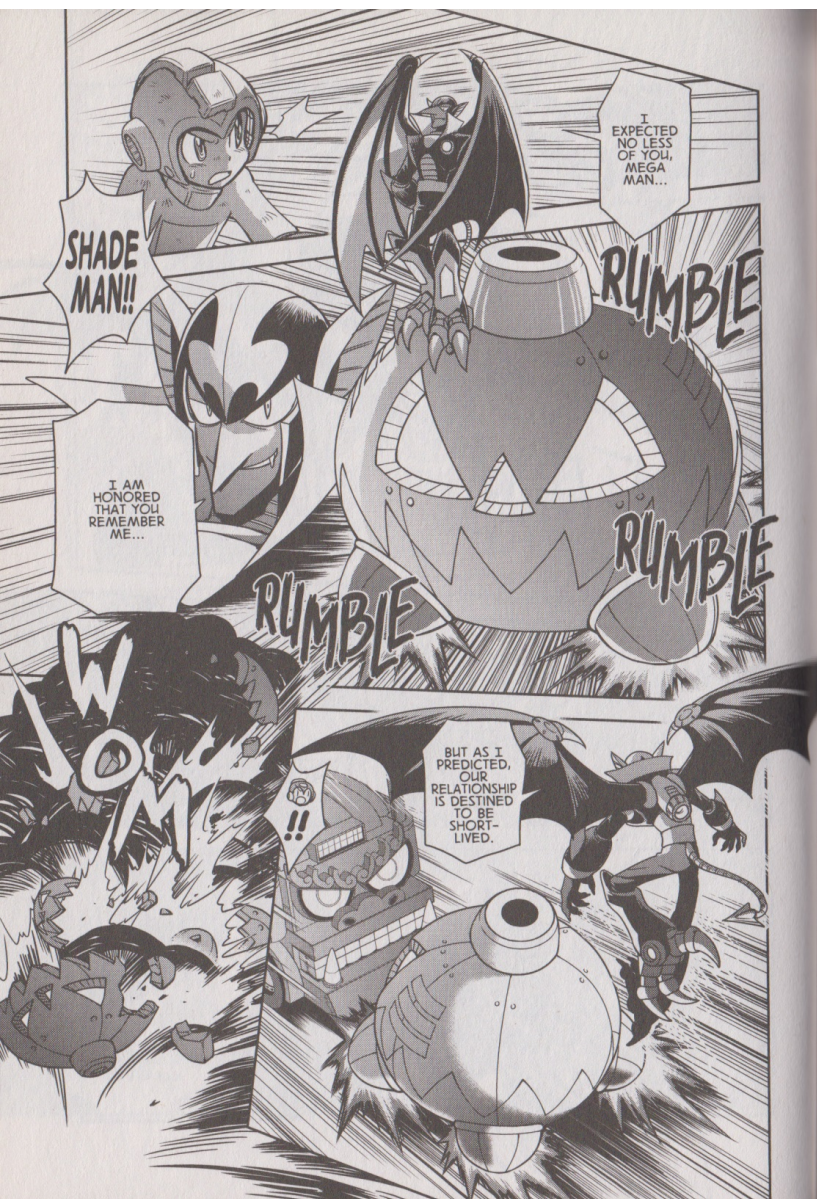
WHY ARE YOU TALKING LIKE THAT? NEVERMIND... TELL WILY SQUADRONS 4 AND 6 THAT THEY ARE TO CARRY OUT THEIR ATTACKS!

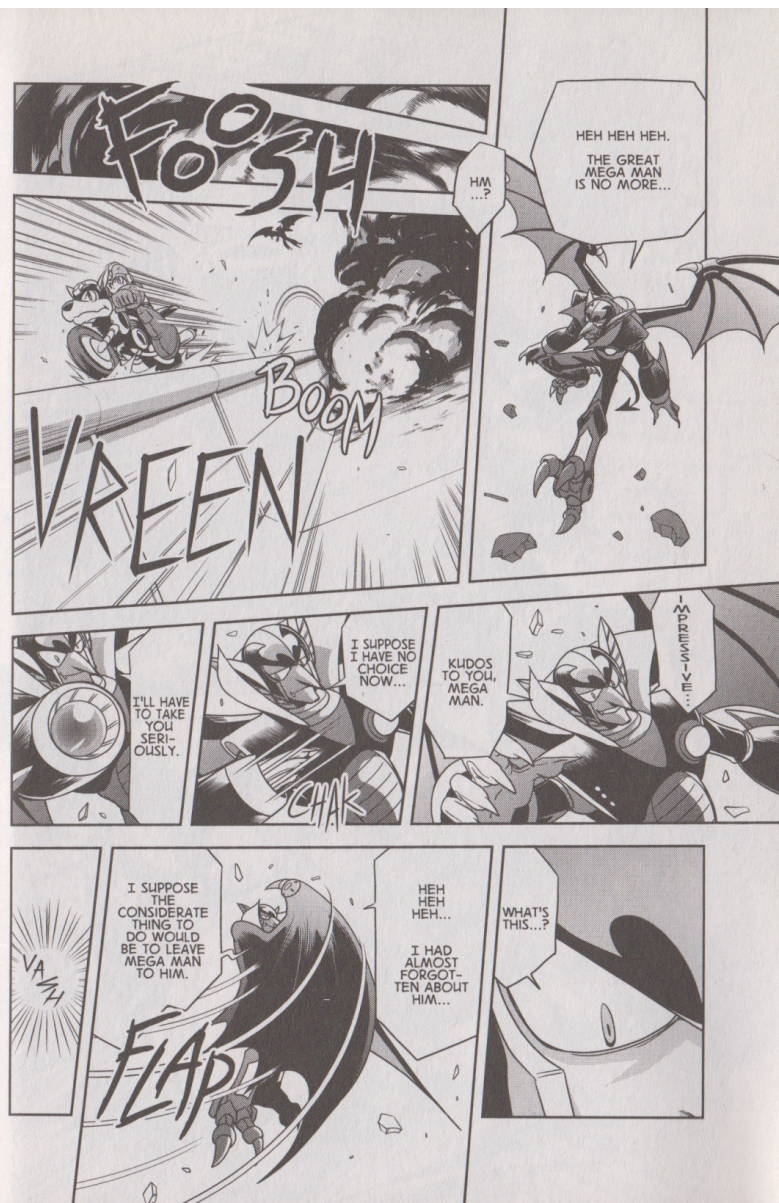


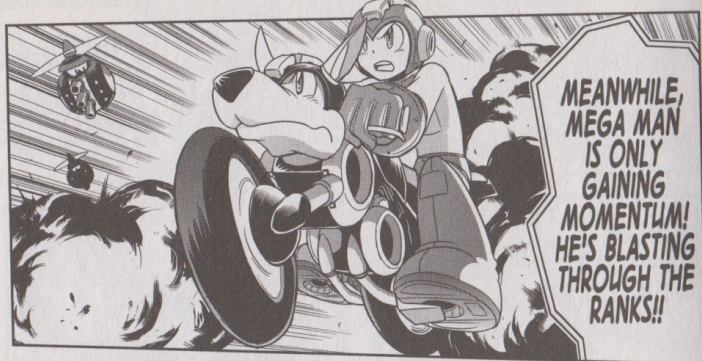




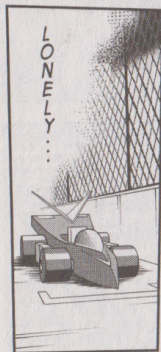






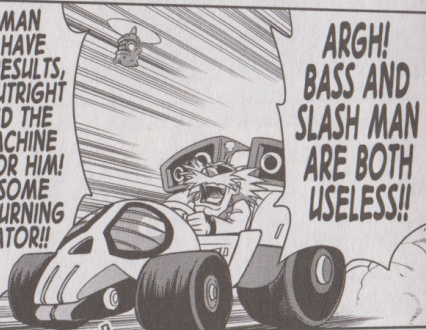


MEANWHILE, MEGA MAN IS ONLY GAINING MOMENTUM! HE'S BLASTING THROUGH THE RANKS!!

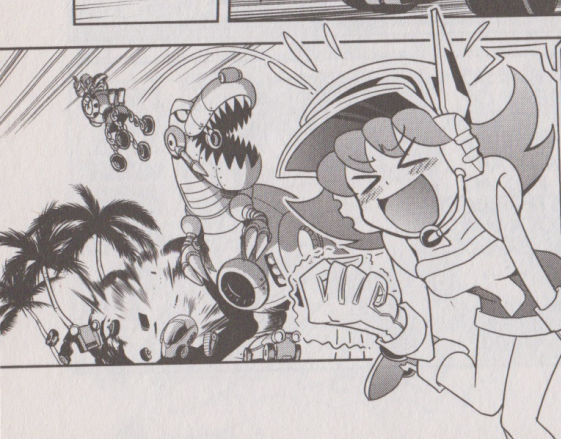


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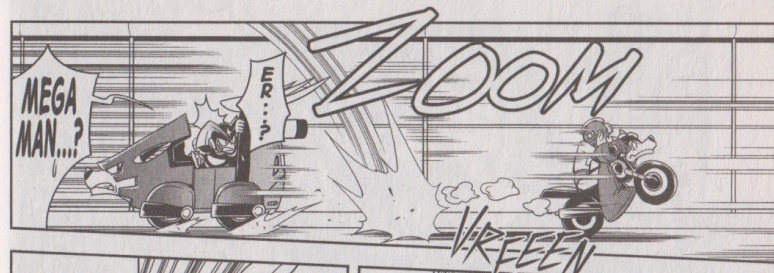
QUICK MAN WOULD HAVE GOTTEN RESULTS, BUT HE OUTRIGHT REJECTED THE COOL MACHINE I BUILT FOR HIM! HE HAS SOME NERVE, SPURNING HIS CREATOR!!



ARGH! BASS AND SLASH MAN ARE BOTH USELESS!!



WILY'S ARMY IS STILL WREAKING HAVOC IN EVERY AREA, AND THE NUMBER OF SURVIVING RACERS IS DOWN TO A MERE 22 VEHICLES!!



MEGA MAN...?

PHYSICS DICTATES THAT A SPEEDING MOTORCYCLE AND SPEEDING CAR TRAVELING IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS WILL NOT REMAIN IN CLOSE PROXIMITY FOR VERY LONG.



HEY, WAIT!



I NEED TO GET TO ROLL!

I CAN'T WASTE TIME HERE...



HOLD THE PHONE! BASS JUST CRASHED!!

REMEMBER, FOLKS: ALWAYS KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE ROAD WHEN DRIVING!

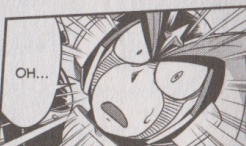


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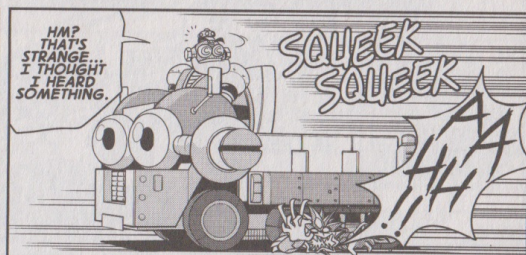
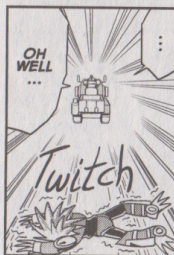
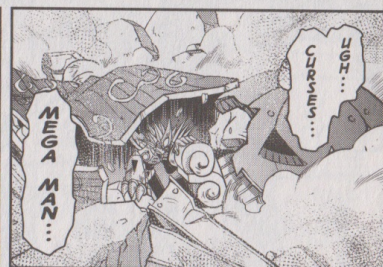
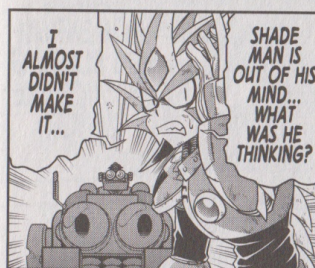
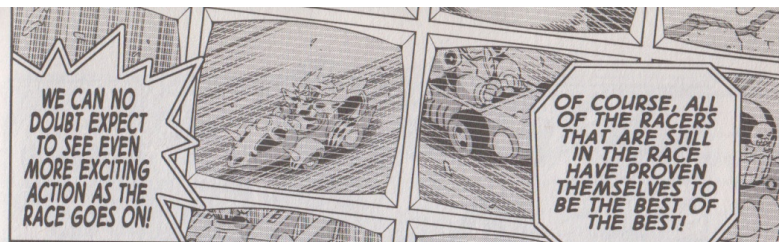
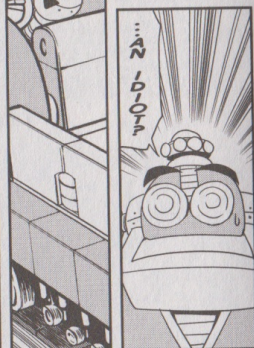
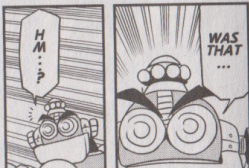
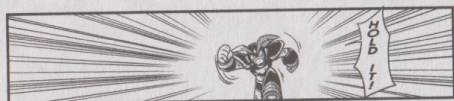
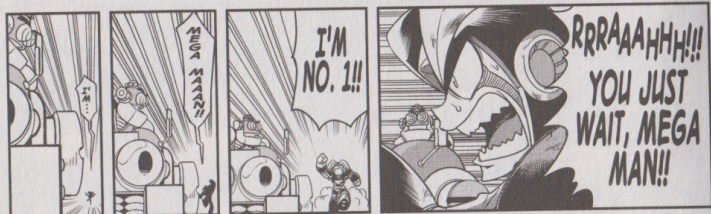
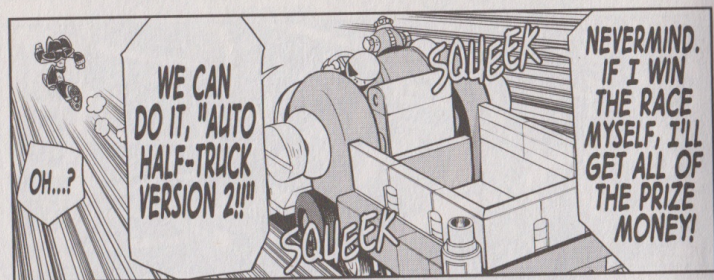
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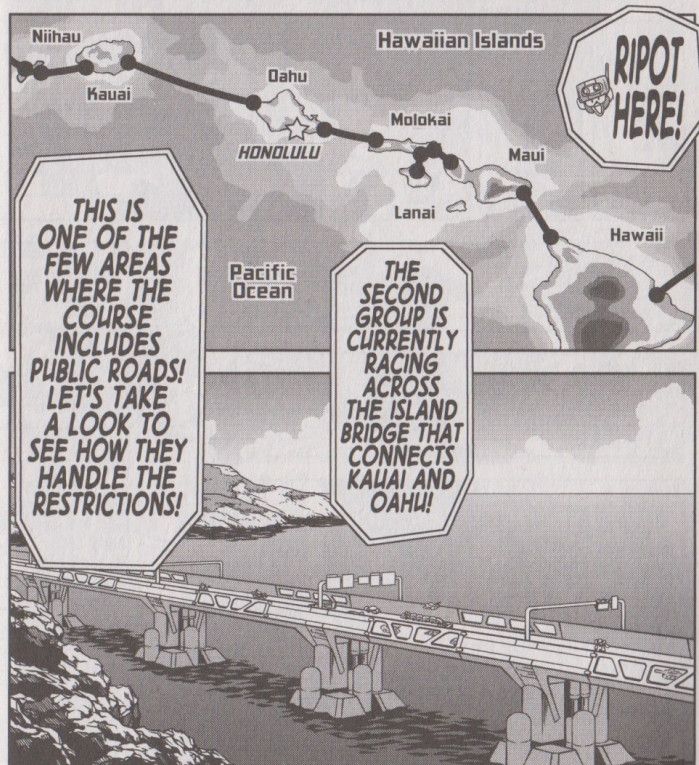
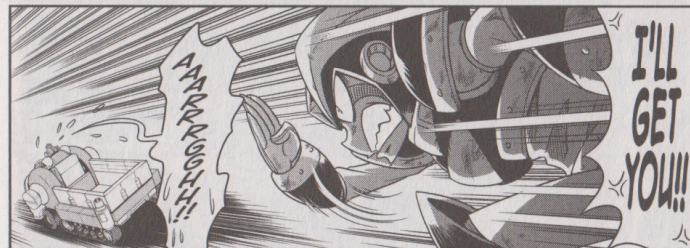
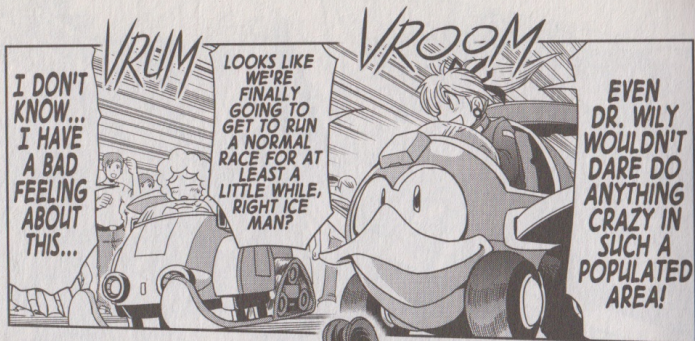


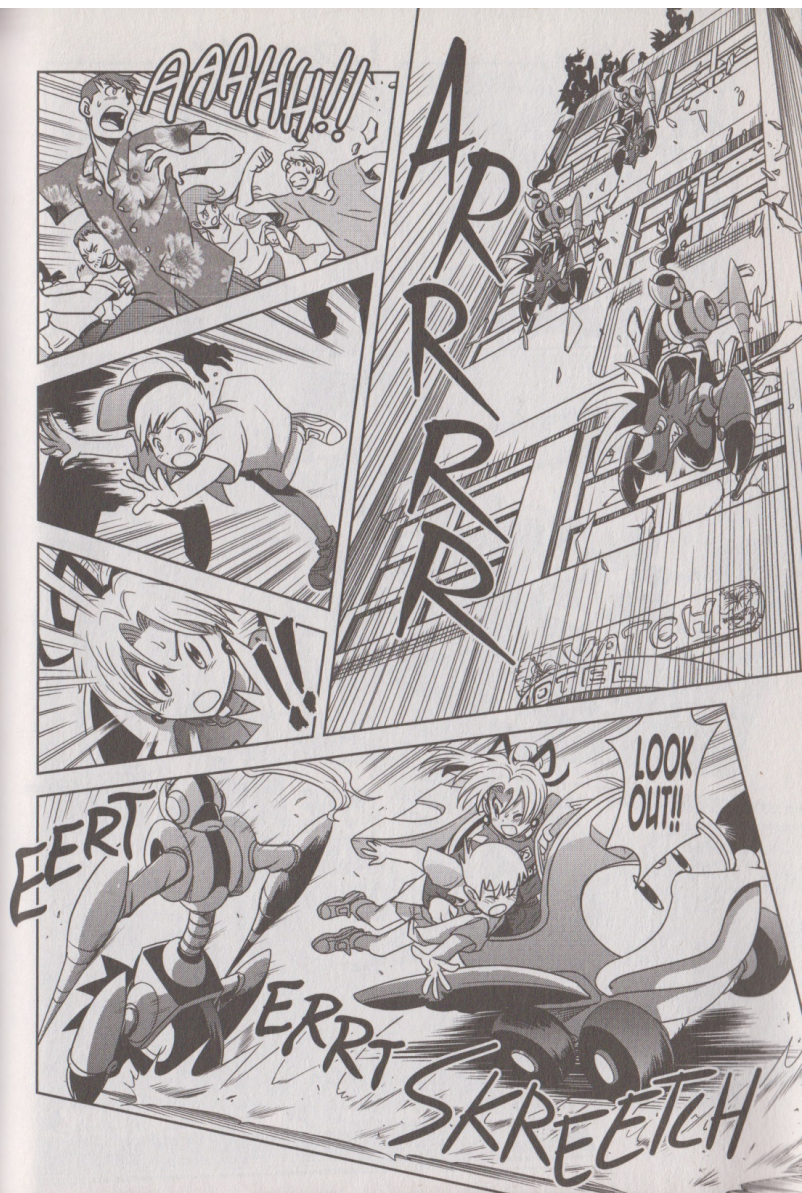
SHUT UP, TREBLE!

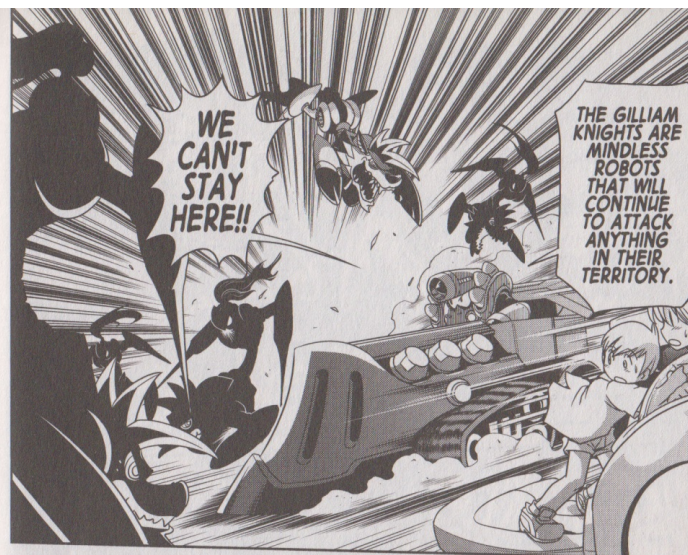
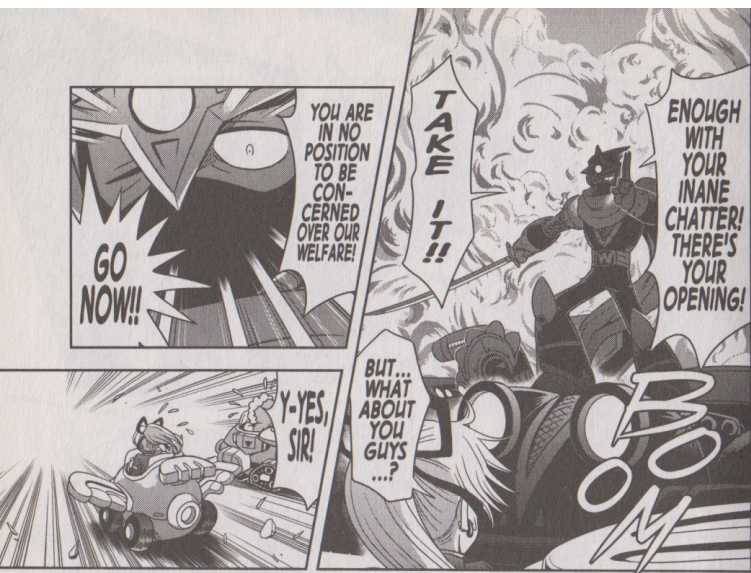


OH...









WELL, YEAH... BUT MEGA MAN'S A HERO...

YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN! "MEGA MAN" HAS NEVER GIVEN UP IN A FIGHT, NO MATTER HOW BAD OR HOPELESS IT LOOKED!



ROCK WOULD NEVER ...

THAT'S NO REASON TO QUIT!

ROCK...

I'M SO JEALOUS! I WISH I HAD BEEN UPGRADED TO FIGHT EVIL AND BE A COOL HERO!!

ONCE UPON A TIME, WE WERE BOTH JUST PLAIN OLD HOUSEHOLD HELPER ROBOTS...

Whoa?

YOU KNOW... THE TRUTH IS---

...I REALLY ADMIRE "MEGA MAN"...

I THOUGHT THAT IN A RACE, WE'D ALL BE ON EQUAL FOOTING. THE THOUGHT THAT WE'D ALL BE THE SAME...

ALL JUST DRIVERS IN A SIMPLE RACE...

IT MADE ME FEEL LIKE I COULD FINALLY SHOW EVERYONE WHAT I WAS CAPABLE OF.

IT MADE ME FEEL GOOD.

BUT THE FACT IS, I'M NOT A HERO...

I'M NOT EVEN COMBAT-READY.

ROCK AND THE REST ARE ALWAYS HAVING TO PROTECT ME AND LOOK OUT FOR ME. I JUST THOUGHT...

HE HAS AN OPEN COURSE LEADING HIM STRAIGHT TO SAN FRANCISCO!!

HA HA HA HA !!!

DR. WILY IS ALONE IN THE LEAD! HE HAS MADE IT THROUGH THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS, AND IS NOW BACK ON THE WORLD BRIDGE!!

NO ONE CAN STOP ME NOW!!

LITTLE DO THEY KNOW... MY REAL PLAN HAS ONLY BEGUN!

HEH HEH HEH.

IT APPEARS DR. WILY HAS SOMETHING TO SAY, BUT SINCE WE ARE CONFIDENT OUR VIEWERS ARE NOT INTERESTED, WE WILL MOVE ON.

SHALL WE GET BACK TO THE RACE?

NOW, THEN ...

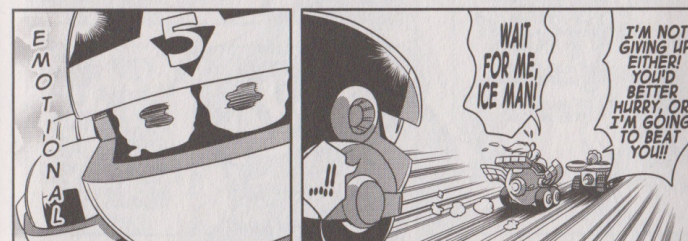
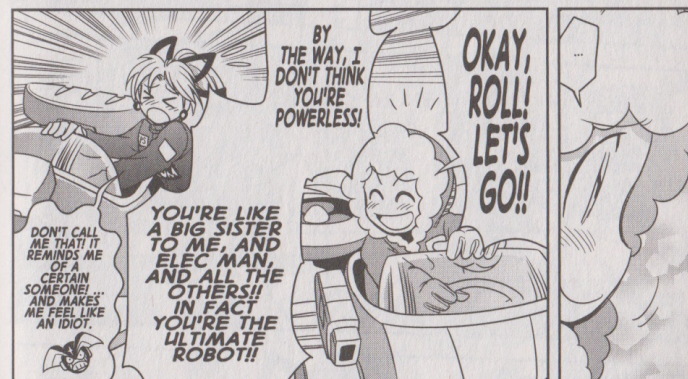
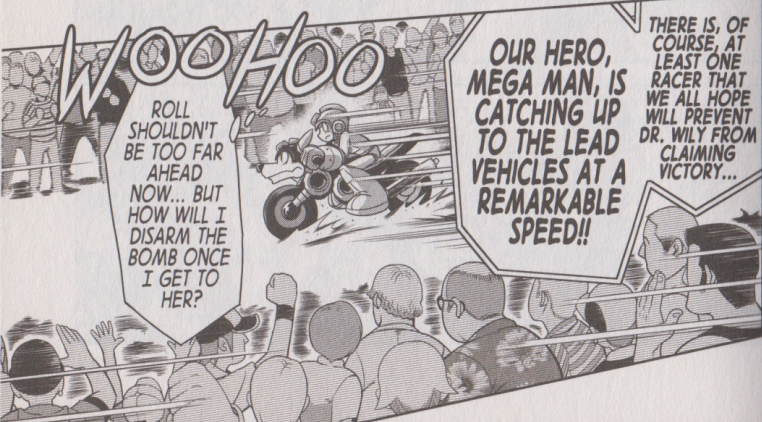
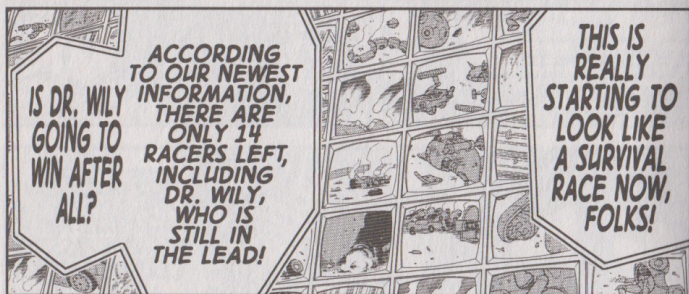
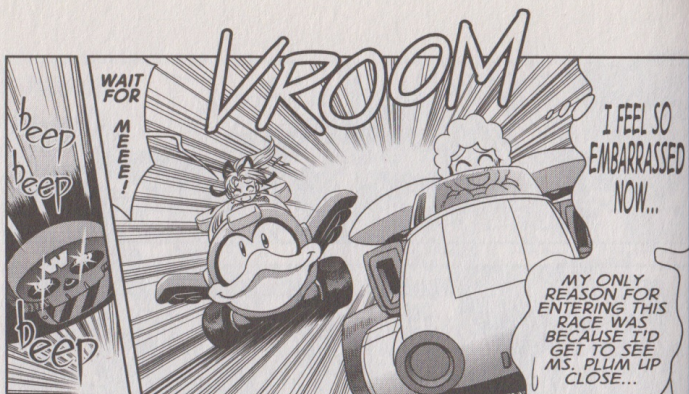
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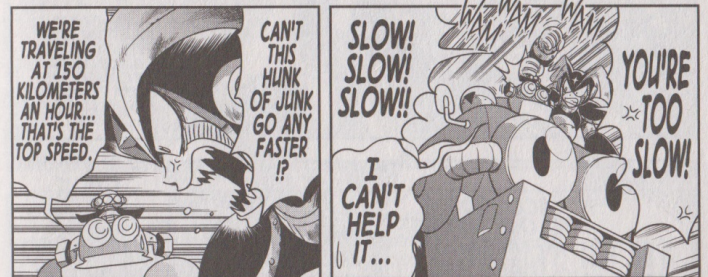
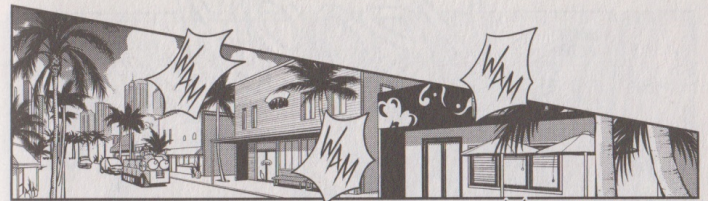
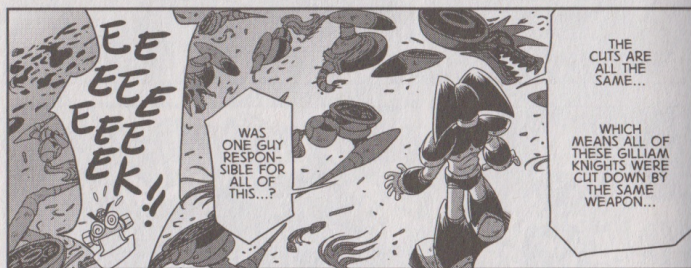
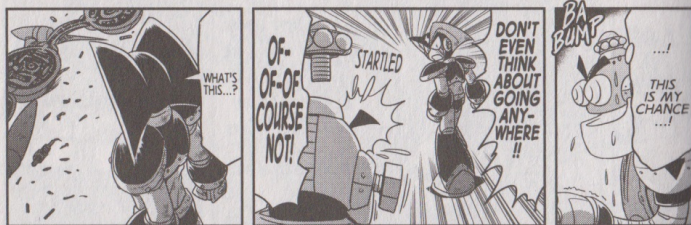
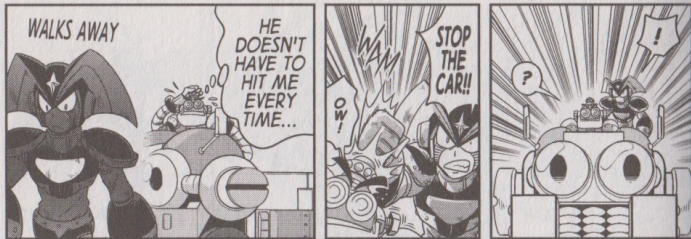
DR. WILY HAS ALL BUT RUINED THE RACE, AND WE'VE FALLEN PRETTY FAR BEHIND!

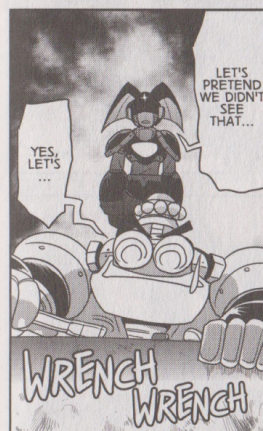
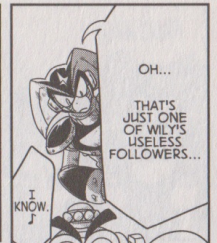
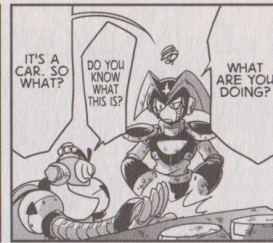
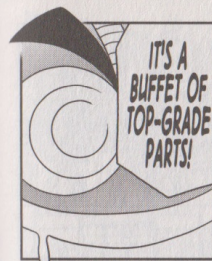
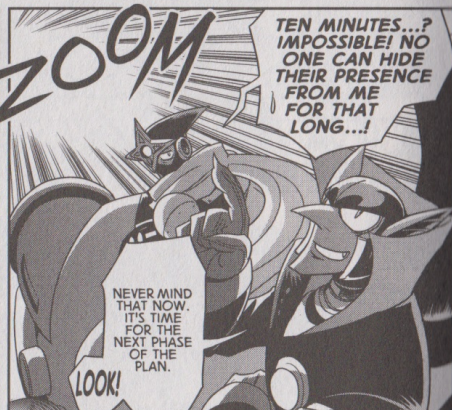
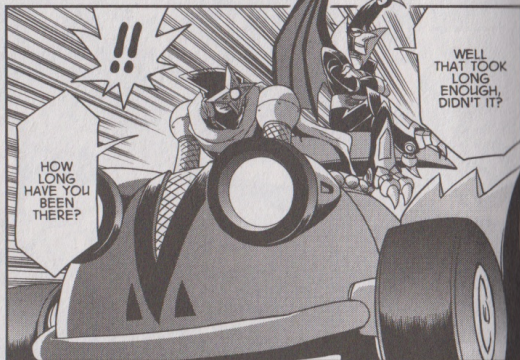
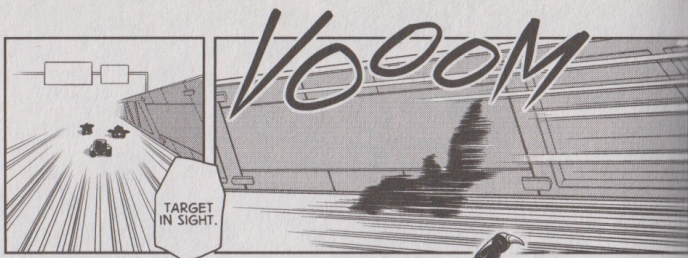
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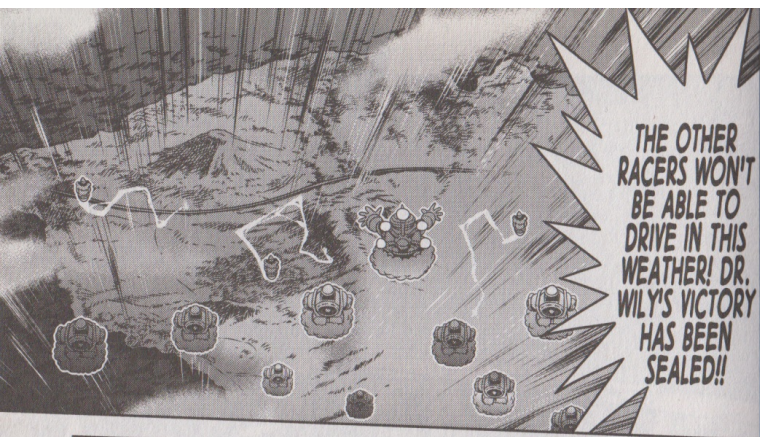
I WILL! THANKS!!

GET HOME SAFELY, OKAY?









THE OTHER RACERS WON'T BE ABLE TO DRIVE IN THIS WEATHER! DR. WILY'S VICTORY HAS BEEN SEALED!!



NOW THERE'S NOTHING TO STOP ME FROM CLAIMING MY VICTORY!!

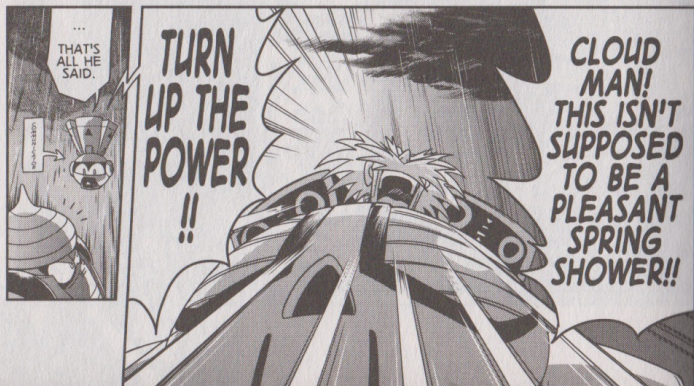
YES! THIS WAS MY SECRET WEAPON!

WHAT'S THIS? LOOKS LIKE WE'RE ABOUT TO EXPERIENCE ONE OF HAWAII'S FAMOUS SQUALLS!!

DID HE JUST CALL IT "A SPRINKLING OF RAIN...?"

IT'S BASICALLY A SUDDEN SPRINKLING OF RAIN ACCOMPANIED BY STRONG WINDS.

WHAT'S A "SQUALL...?"



THAT'S ALL HE SAID.

TURN UP THE POWER !!

CLOUD MAN! THIS ISN'T SUPPOSED TO BE A PLEASANT SPRING SHOWER!!



BOOM

STORM, I SUMMON THEE!!

FLASH

BLOW, WIND...

HAWAII WILL TREMBLE UNDER THE MIGHT OF OUR STORM!!

COME ON, GUYS! PUT YOUR BACKS INTO IT!!

YES, SIR!!

HAHA

IT WAS EASY FOR THEM TO CONJURE UP A DEVASTATING STORM OR TWO.

OF COURSE IT IS! MY CREATIONS ARE THE BEST AT WHAT THEY DO!!

IT WOULD SEEM THAT WAY...

THIS IS A FULL SCALE STORM! A BIG ONE!!

HUH?

WHAT!?

HMM...

BUT OUR RATINGS...

WE CAN'T, IN GOOD CONSCIENCE, CONTINUE THE RACE IN THIS WEATHER. I THINK WE SHOULD CALL IT OFF.

HUH?

FOOL! IT'S TOO MUCH!! SHUT IT DOWN RIGHT NOW!!

BUT... WE WORKED SO HARD TO...

YES, DR. WILY? HOW DO YOU LIKE OUR STORM?

WE'RE UP TO 200% OUTPUT LEVEL! I KNEW YOU'D BE PROUD OF US!!

WHOA!!

WE'LL HAVE TO SLOW DOWN AND RELY ON THE NAVIGATOR TO GUIDE US THROUGH THE STORM!

I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING IN FRONT OF ME...

WE'VE ALSO HAD A FEW LIGHTNING STRIKES, AND THEY HAVE CLAIMED SIX VEHICLES THAT WE KNOW OF!

BOOM

THIS IS RIPOT, IN THE FIELD! THE RAIN IS COMING DOWN PRETTY HARD NOW!!

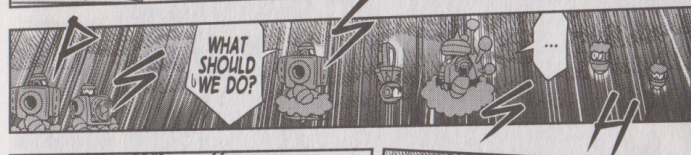
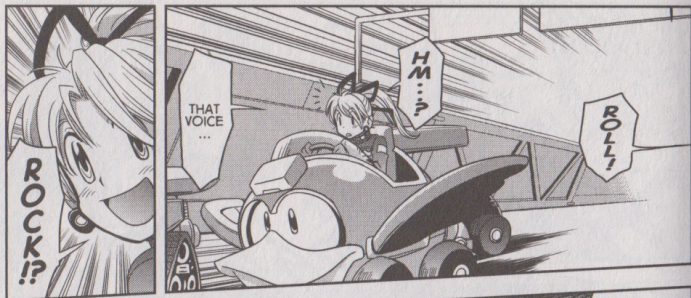
THIS ISN'T JUST A LIGHT SPRINKLE ANYMORE, FOLKS!!

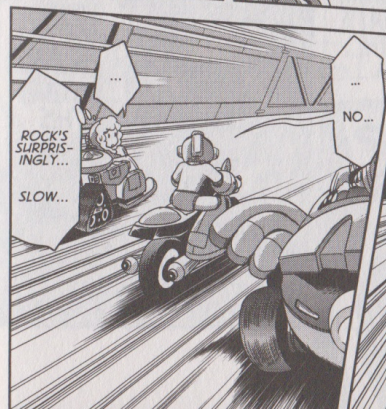
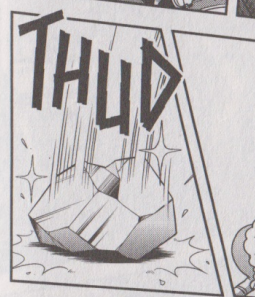
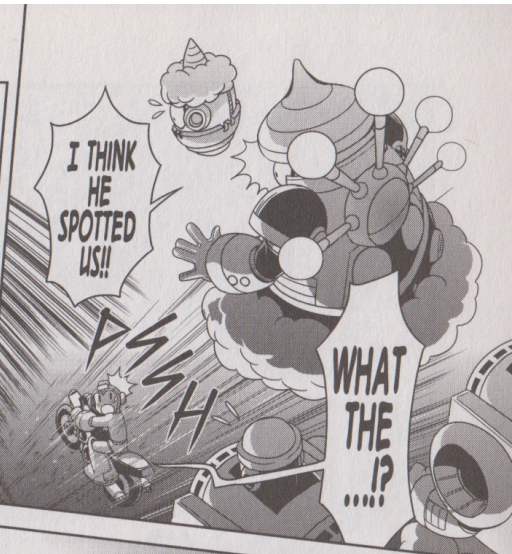
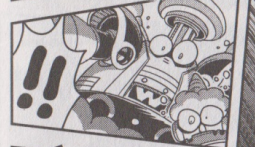
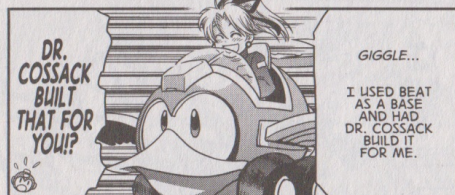
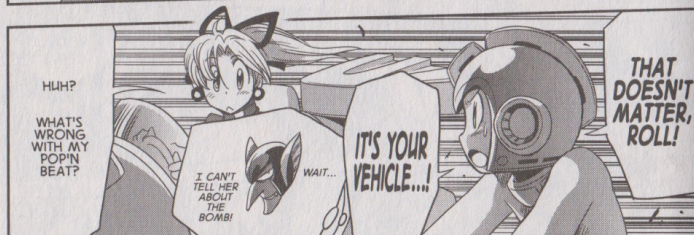
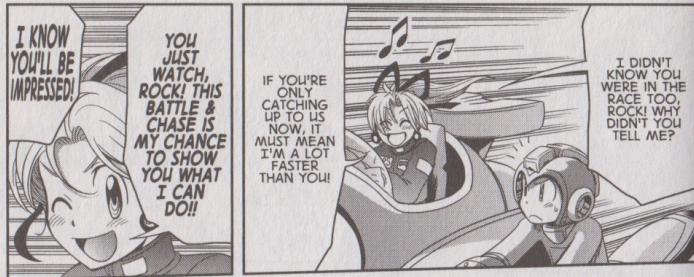
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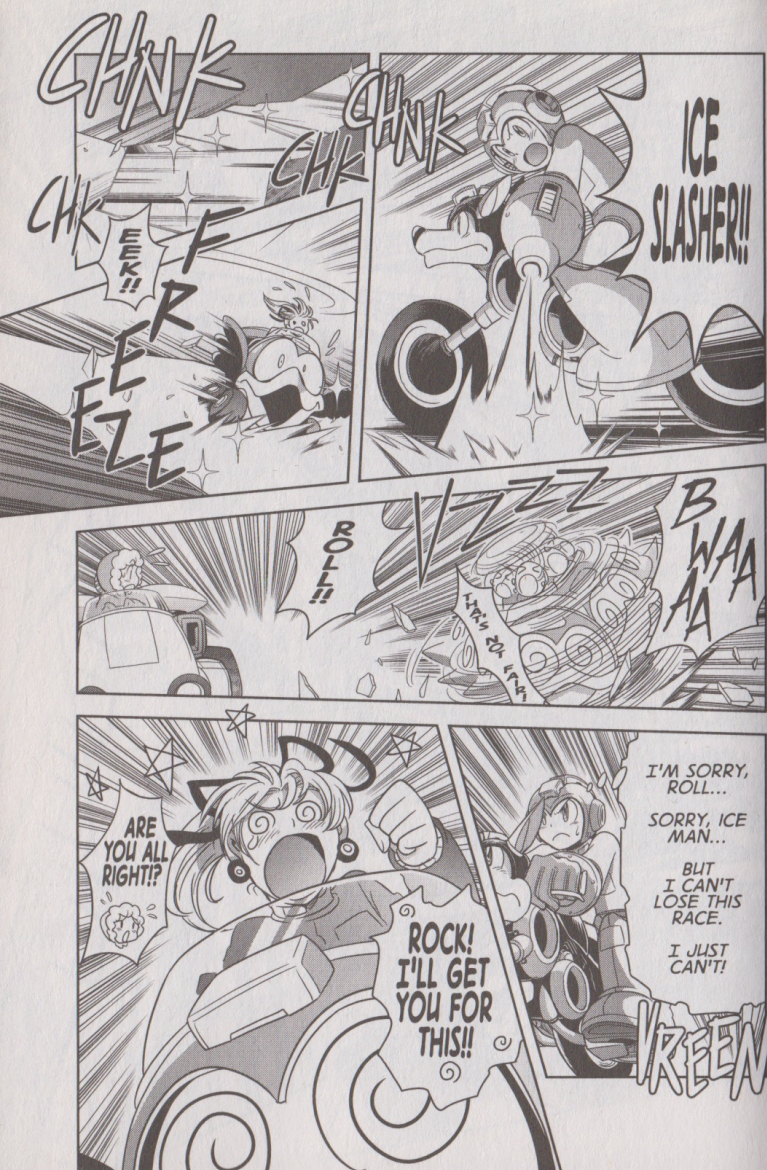
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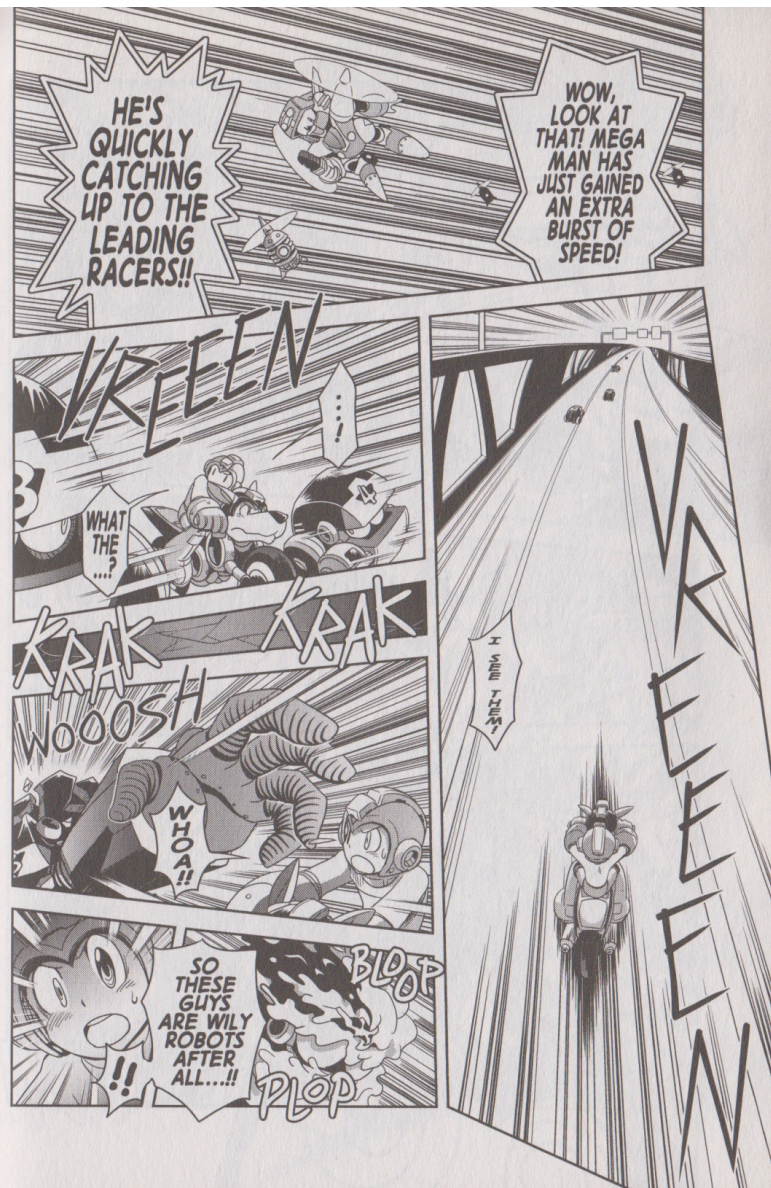
YOU HEARD HIM, BOYS! CRANK IT UP!!

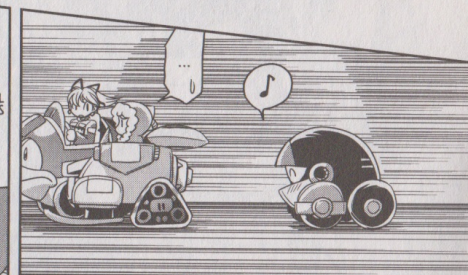
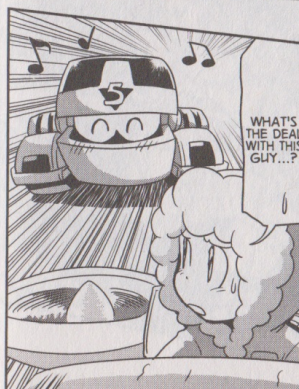
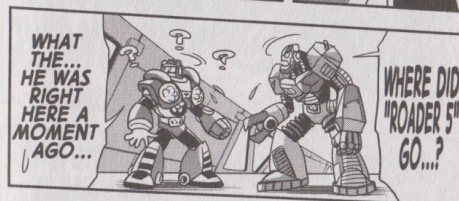
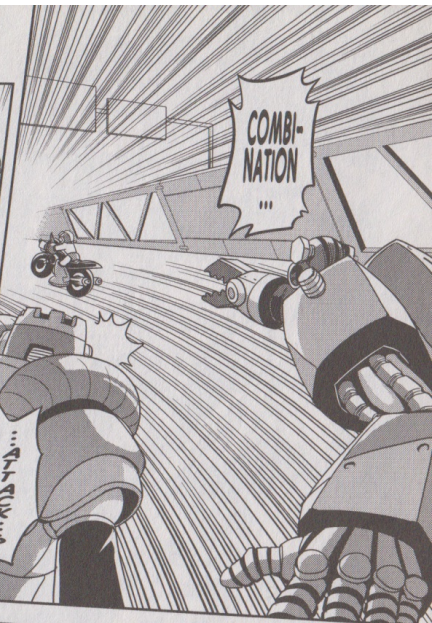
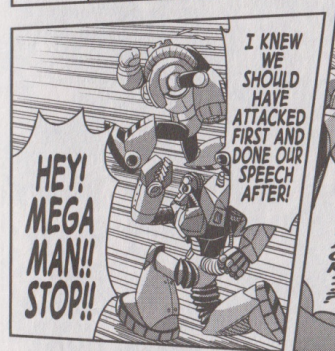
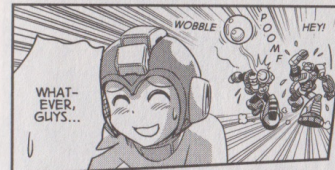
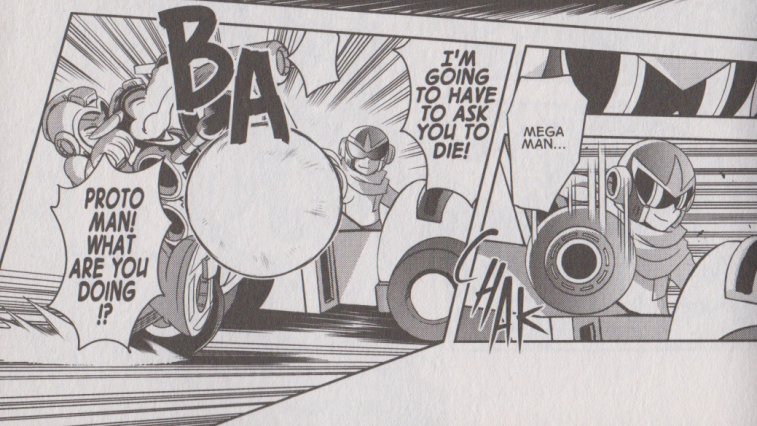
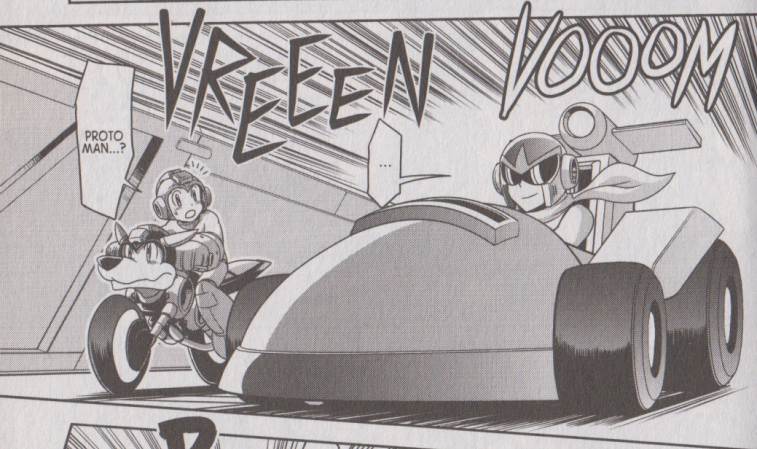
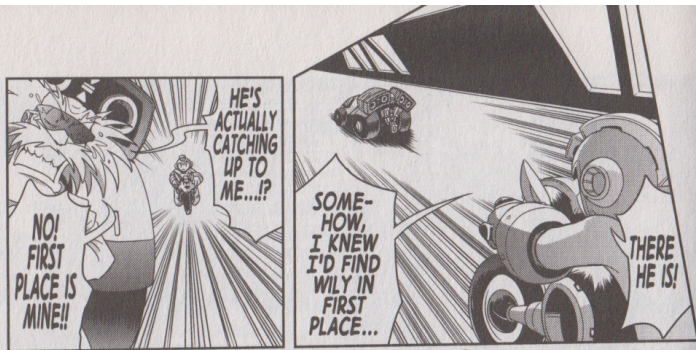
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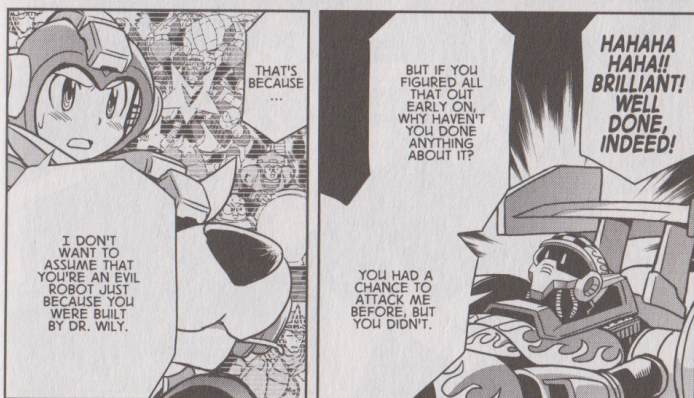
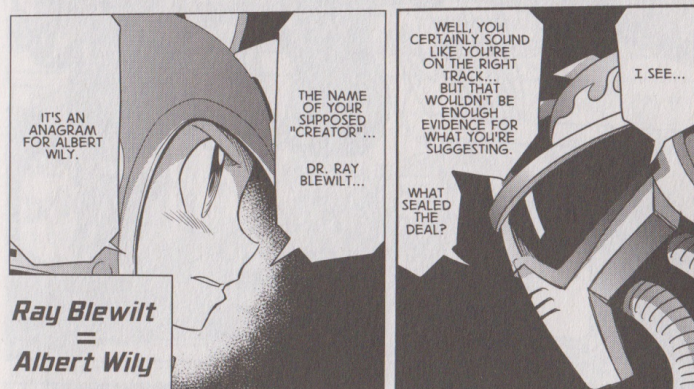
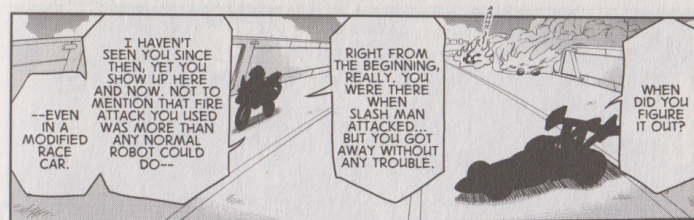
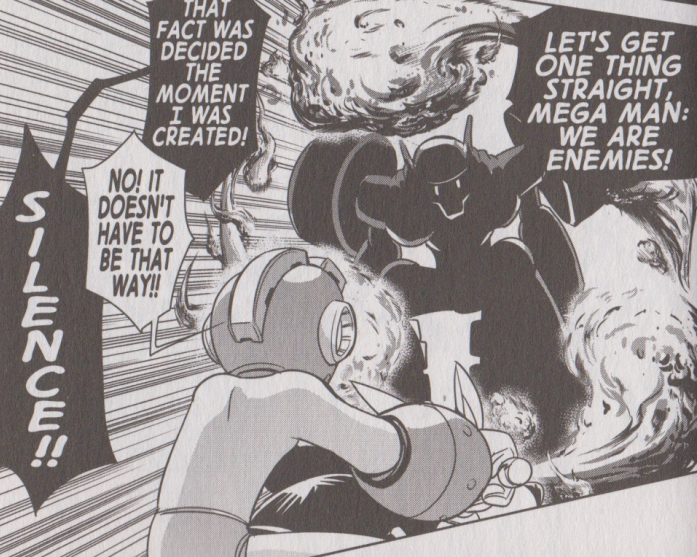
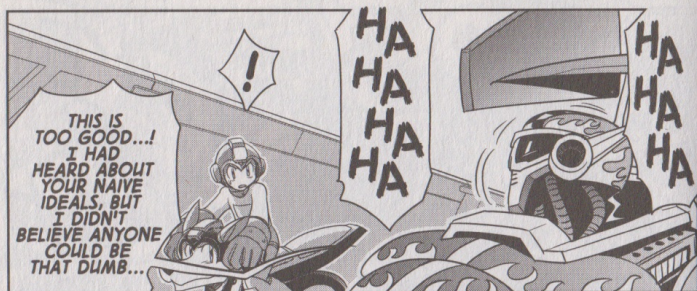


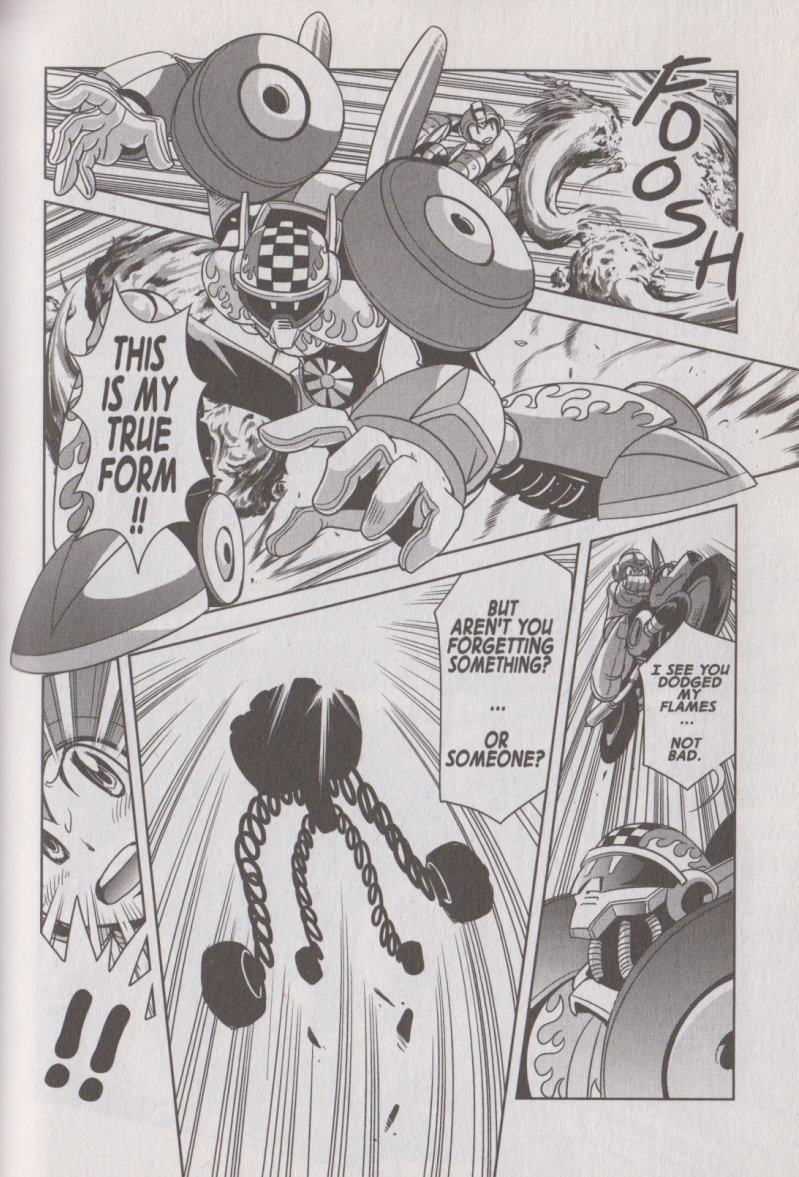
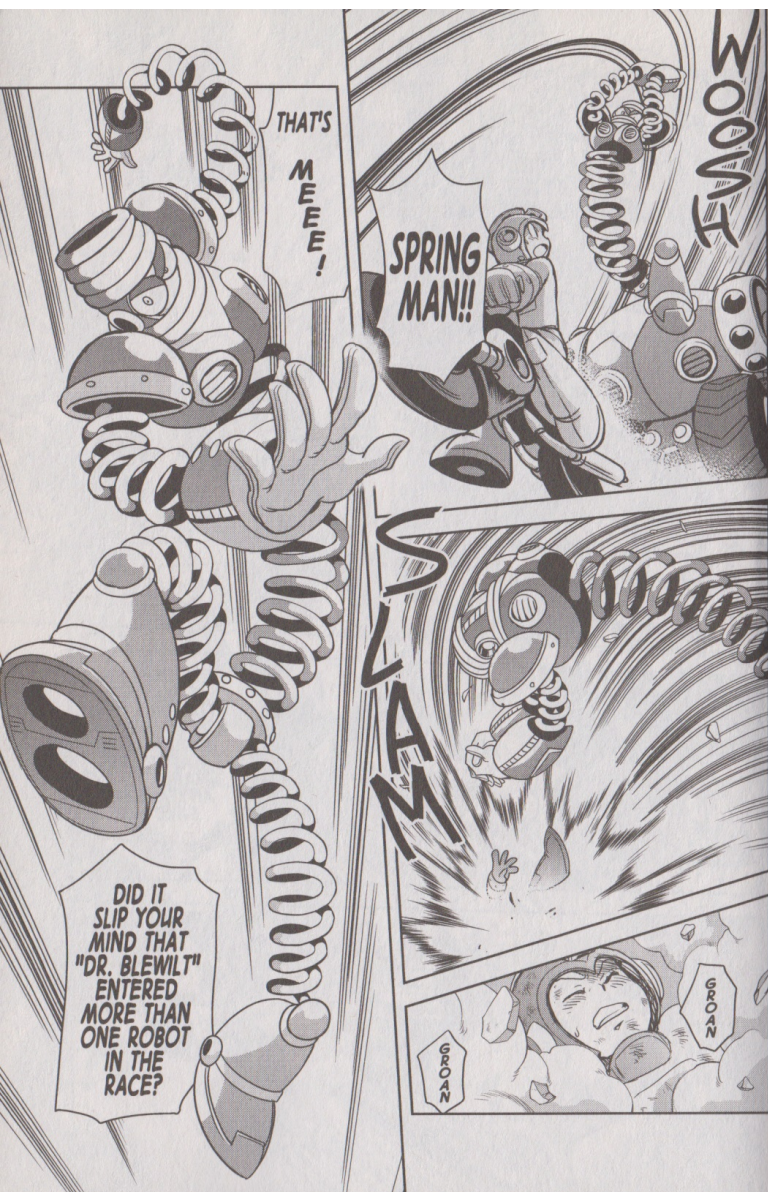


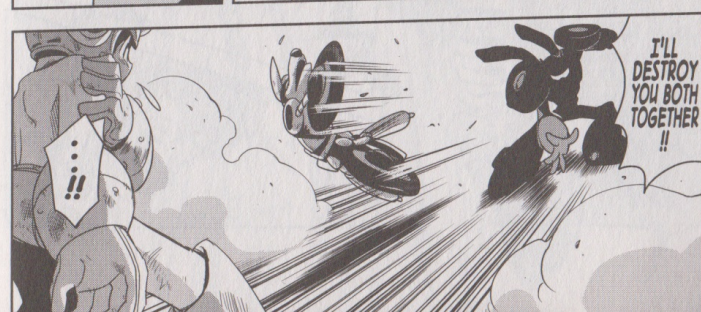
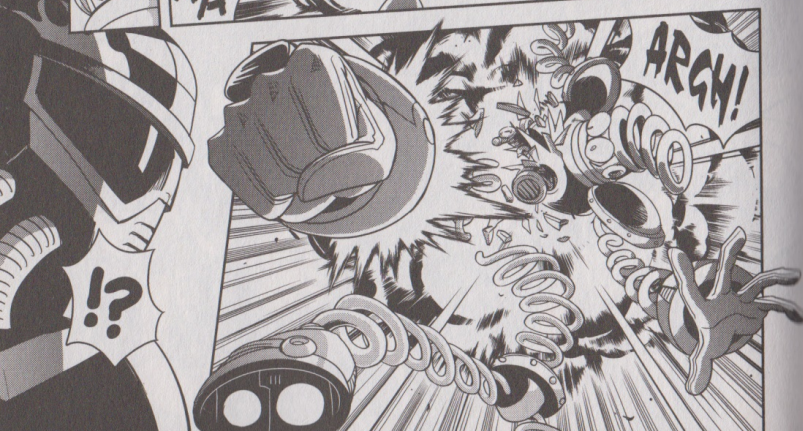


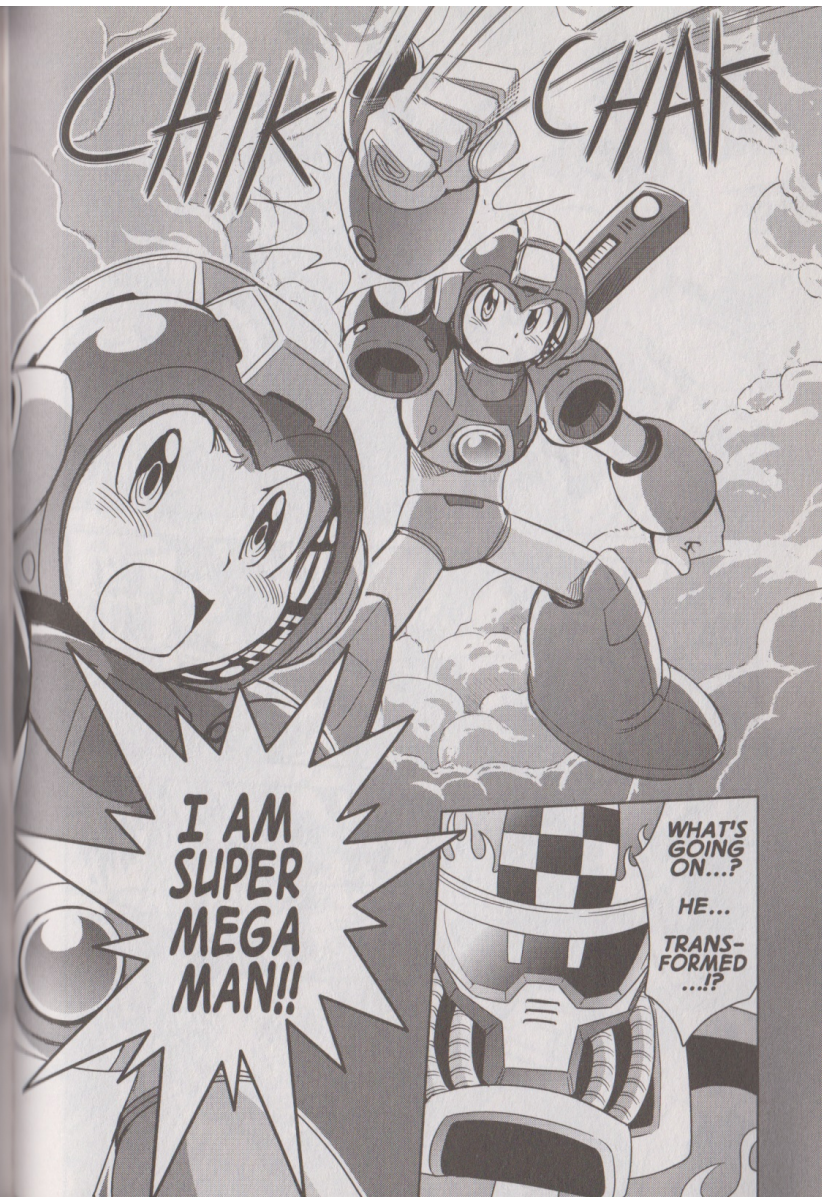
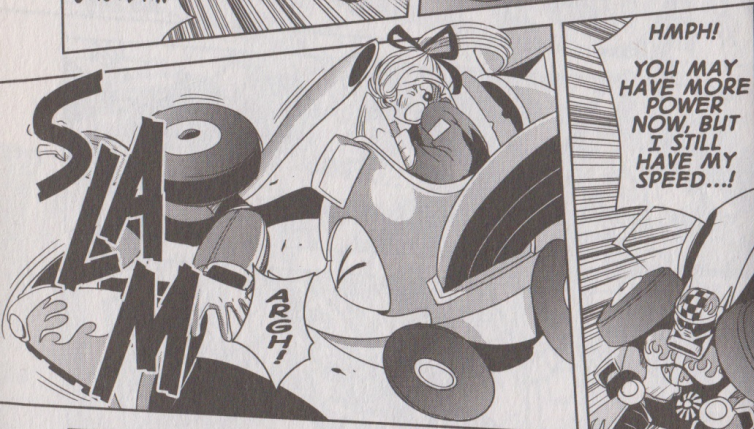
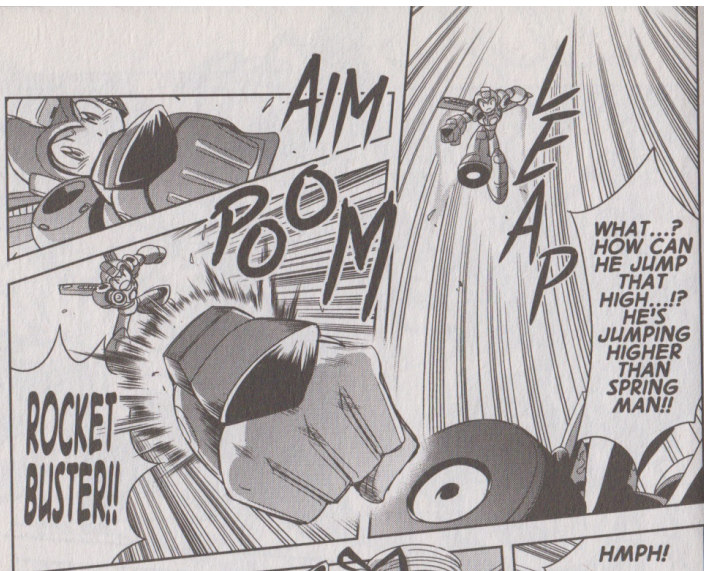


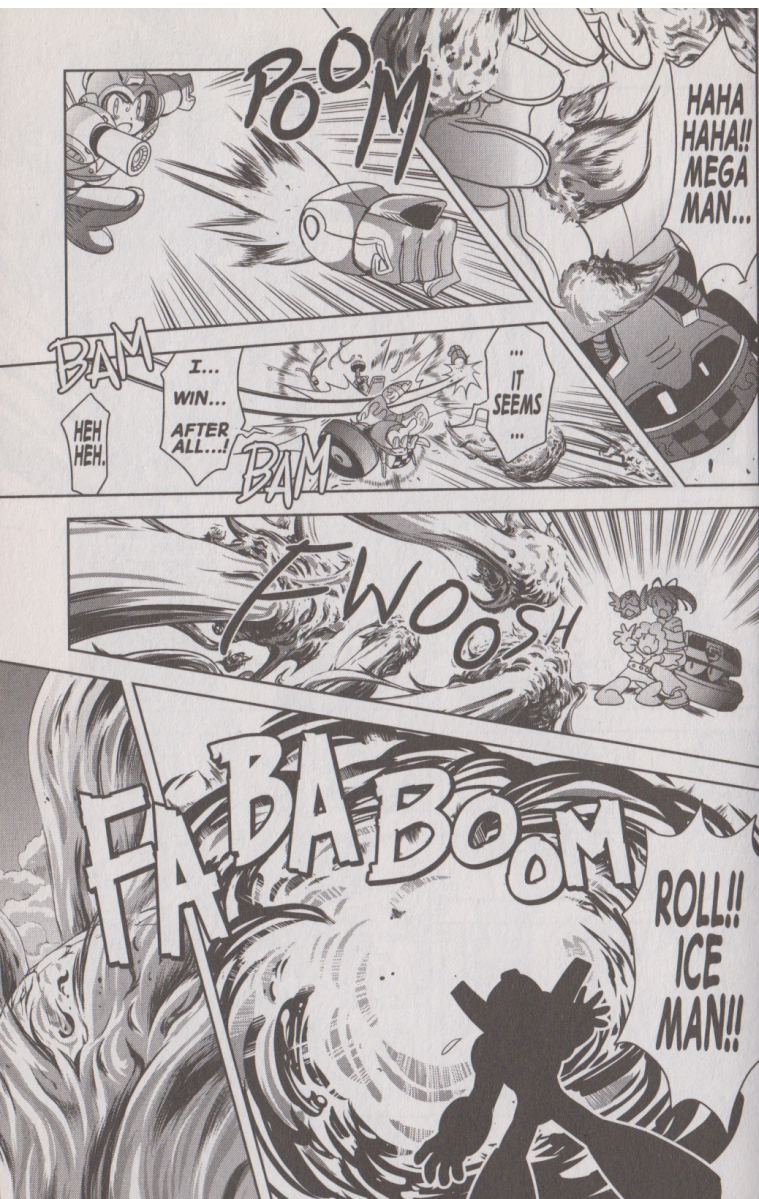


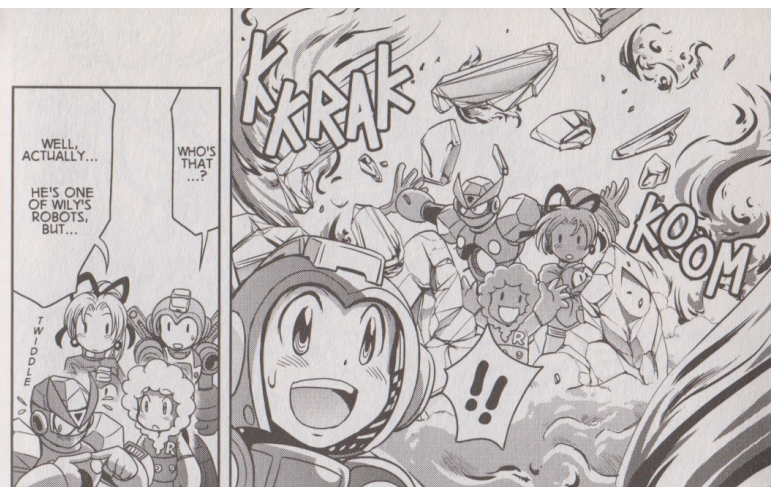
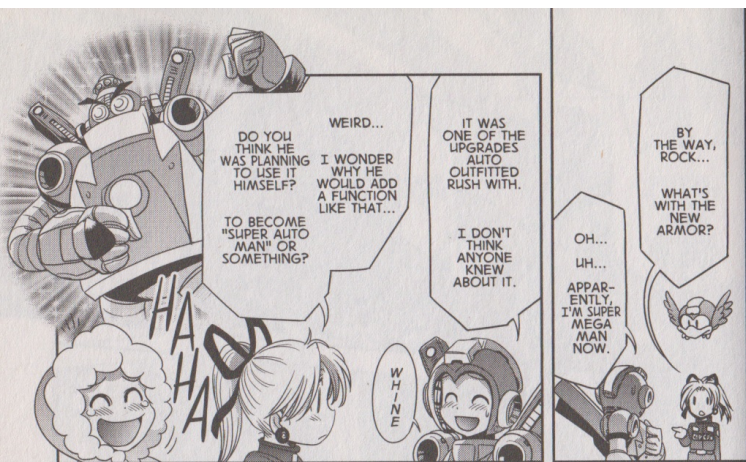


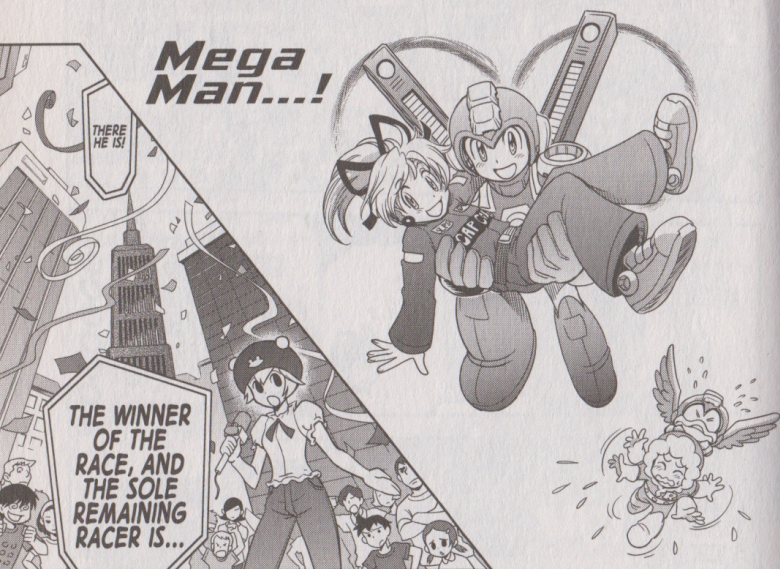












GUEST COMMENT

HONESTLY, YOU NEVER KNOW WHERE LIFE WILL LEAD YOU. OR WHAT IT HAS IN STORE FOR YOU NEXT. I NEVER WOULD HAVE DREAMED THAT I'D ONE DAY NOT ONLY GET TO MEET THE ARTIST BEHIND ONE OF MY FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MANGAS (I STILL HAVE THE PAGES THAT I CUT OUT OF MY BONBON ISSUES), BUT ALSO GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE MY ILLUSTRATION INCLUDED IN ONE OF HIS MANGA BOOKS.

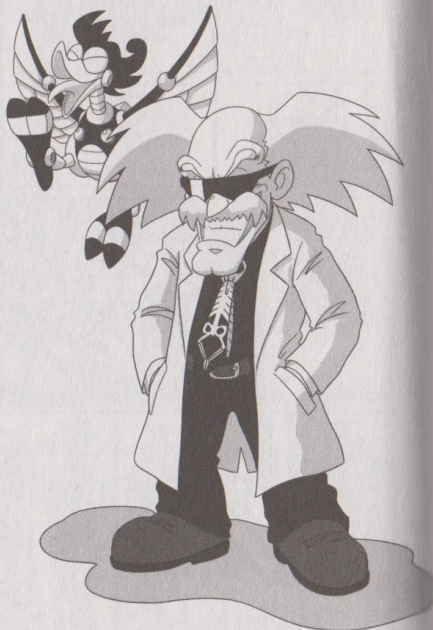
WHEN YOU TOLD ME THE SUBJECT OF MY ILLUSTRATION HAD TO BE DR. WILY, I ADMIT I WAS A BIT TROUBLED. EVERYONE KNOWS YOU LOVE DR. WILY, AND AS IT HAPPENS, I'VE NEVER DRAWN A "DR. WILY" THAT I'VE BEEN HAPPY WITH. I SUPPOSE YOU COULD SAY THIS IS "A CAPCOM EMPLOYEE'S INTERPRETATION OF ARIGA'S DR. WILY." WHAT DO YOU THINK?!

I KNOW WE HAVEN'T KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR VERY LONG, HAVING ONLY MET WHEN WE WERE WORKING ON "R20"... BUT I SINCERELY HOPE THAT WE WILL GET ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO WORK TOGETHER ON A MEGA MAN PROJECT.

WE SHOULD HAVE ANOTHER MATCH IN BATTLE & CHASE SOMEDAY! I WANT A REMATCH FOR THE ROCKBOARD BATTLE WHERE YOU WIPED THE FLOOR WITH ME. I'LL USE THE POP'N BEAT AND LEAVE YOU IN THE DUST!!

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SO WHEN IT CAME TIME TO "REVIVE" MEGAMIX IN THIS WAY, I KNEW THE BATTLE & CHASE STORY WOULDN'T BE EPIC ENOUGH AS THE FIRST CHAPTER. "ASTEROID BLUES" WAS THE RESULT OF ME WANTING SOMETHING BIG TO REALLY SHOWCASE THE RETURN OF THE MEGAMIX STORYLINE.

WOW! THAT LOOKS AMAZING!!

WE EVEN HAD SAMPLES DONE OF THE WEB COMIC.

I'VE ACTUALLY SPOKEN ABOUT THIS DURING A FEW INTERVIEWS, BUT THERE WAS AN IDEA FOR A MEGA MAN WEB COMIC AT ONE TIME. WE FIGURED THAT IF WE COULD RELEASE 40-50 PAGES A MONTH ONLINE, WE'D BE ABLE TO BUNDLE THEM ALL UP INTO ONE MANGA BOOK FOR MEGA MAN'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY.

THIS WAS ACTUALLY A STORY THAT I FELT WAS MISSING FROM THE "MEGAMIX" SERIES.

NEXT, LET'S TALK ABOUT "ASTEROID BLUES."




BUT THEN AGAIN... DUE TO GROWN-UP REASONS... THE WEB COMIC PROJECT WAS DITCHED.

WHY??

IN FACT, THIS PROJECT WAS SO IMPORTANT TO ME THAT I ACTUALLY TURNED DOWN A NUMBER OF OFFERS FROM VARIOUS PUBLISHING COMPANIES. I HAD MORE THAN ONE CHANCE TO START AN ENTIRELY NEW SERIES, BUT I JUST COULDN'T BRING MYSELF TO DO IT.

PLEASE, CAN WE WAIT UNTIL I'M DONE WITH MEGAMIX?

THE OPPORTUNITY PRESENTED BY THIS WEB COMIC, THE REVIVAL OF THE MEGAMIX SERIES, WAS SOMETHING THAT I HAD LONG DREAMED ABOUT. NEEDLESS TO SAY, I PUT A LOT OF ENERGY INTO EVERY LITTLE DETAIL, INCLUDING THE TITLE.

I TURNED TO MEGA MAN 3 AS A FOUNDATION, SINCE I HAD NEVER REALLY EXPLORED THAT TITLE IN MY MANGAS BEFORE. ALSO, I DECIDED THAT I WANTED TO SLIGHTLY EXPAND ON PROTO MAN IN SOME WAY.

WHERE DO YOU THINK I GET NOBLEDEEDS?




WHEN COMPARING MY NEW WORK TO THE OLD MEGAMIX STUFF, I HONESTLY THINK MY ART HAS IMPROVED.

ALL IN ALL, I THINK IT WAS BEST THAT I GOT TO FINISH IT UP NOW, AS MY DRAWING SKILLS HAVE IMPROVED QUITE A BIT.

IT WAS A CRAZY TIME AND SOMETIMES I WONDER IF IT ALL WASN'T JUST SOME GRAND TEST TO DETERMINE IF I REALLY WANTED TO SEE THIS THROUGH.

"DON'T DO ANYTHING YET."

"FOCUS ON IT NOW."

"WAIT, STOP."

"OKAY, GO, BUT ONLY A LITTLE."

I'VE NEVER FELT THE PRESENCE OF A GREATER POWER AT WORK MORE THAN I DID DURING THOSE TEN-ODD YEARS.

LOOK

NEW OLD

AM I BEADING TOO MUCH INTO IT?



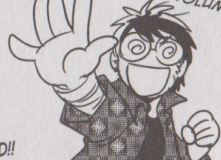

LET'S MEET UP AGAIN IN GIGAMIX VOLUME 2!!

TO BE CONTINUED!!

I HOPE YOU'LL STICK WITH ME THROUGH TWO MORE VOLUMES!

BUT THE STORY'S NOT FINISHED YET!

SINCE THIS REVIVAL WAS SUCH A BIG DEAL TO ME, AND ALSO TO DIFFERENTIATE IT FROM THE OLD STUFF, I DECIDED TO RELEASE IT UNDER THE NEW NAME "GIGAMIX." I HOPE YOU LIKE IT.




GIGAMIX MANGA - AFTERWORD

BY: HITOSHI ARIGA

NOW LET'S GET INTO THE BEHIND-THE-SCENES STUFF...

I AM GRATEFUL TO EVERYONE WHO WAITED PATIENTLY FOR ME TO RELEASE A NEW SERIES. THOSE WHO NEVER STOPPED SENDING ME WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT OVER THE YEARS, AND THOSE WHO PICKED UP ONE OF MY BOOKS FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME AND DECIDED TO SEND A FEW KIND WORDS MY WAY... THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH.

IT'S BEEN OVER A DECADE SINCE MEGA MAN MEGAMIX'S "THE GREATEST ENEMY IN HISTORY..."

BOW

GROVEL

HELLO EVERYONE! IT'S ME, ARIGA!

FINALLY, I FINALLY GOT TO PRESENT YOU WITH NEW WORK!





UNABLE TO ACCEPT THIS FATE, I CONTINUED TO WORK ON BATTLE & CHASE BETWEEN OTHER JOBS.

THINGS WERE GOING REALLY WELL WITH THE EDITING, AND WE EVEN SAILED RIGHT THROUGH APPROVALS... BUT THEN, FOR GROWN-UP REASONS, THE PROJECT WAS UNEXPECTEDLY DUMPED BY THE ROADSIDE. THIS SORT OF THING HAPPENS MORE OFTEN THAN YOU MIGHT THINK.

WHEN "BATTLE & CHASE" WAS RELEASED AS PART OF THE PLAYSTATION 3 "THE BEST" SERIES, I MIXED IN A FEW ELEMENTS FROM MEGA MAN 7 (WHICH I HAD NEVER DONE BEFORE) TO COME UP WITH THIS STORY.

YES, IT WAS A REALLY LONG TIME AGO!

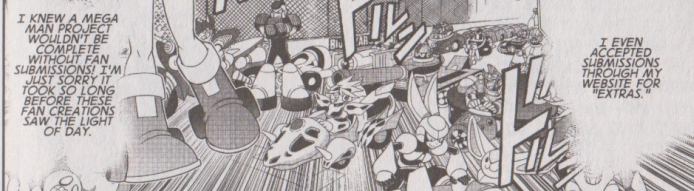
THE BATTLE & CHASE STORY WAS ACTUALLY ONE THAT I PREPARED A LONG TIME AGO, FOR ONE OF BONBON'S BONUS ISSUES.






I KNEW A MEGA MAN PROJECT WOULDN'T BE COMPLETE WITHOUT FAN SUBMISSIONS! I'M JUST SORRY IT TOOK SO LONG BEFORE THESE FAN CREATIONS SAW THE LIGHT OF DAY.

I EVEN ACCEPTED SUBMISSIONS THROUGH MY WEBSITE FOR "EXTRAS."



I DECIDED TO KEEP THESE DETAILS UNCHANGED, BECAUSE I FELT IT ADDED ANOTHER LAYER OF DEPTH TO THE WHOLE STORY. THE THING UNCHANGED.

I REDID ALL OF THE CHARACTERS FOR THIS RELEASE, BUT I KEPT SOME OF THE OLD BACKGROUNDS THAT I DREW BACK THEN. YOU CAN FIND EVIDENCE OF THAT IN SOME OF THE SMALL DETAILS.

THERE WERE A FEW TIMES WHEN I LOOKED LIKE I WOULD GET TO RELEASE THE STORY THROUGH OTHER MEANS, BUT THEY ALL FELL THROUGH... SO THIS PIECE REALLY WAS A LONG TIME IN THE MAKING.

WE DID IT, OLD ME! WE FINALLY DID IT...

ANYWAY, THAT'S THE STORY OF BATTLE & CHASE.

SOME OF THE DESIGNS WERE SO AMAZING, THEY WERE REALLY TOO GOOD TO BE CALLED "EXTRAS."

THANK YOU!!

SO HERE'S A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO SENT IN SUBMISSIONS WAY BACK THEN!

AT THE TIME, A STREET FIGHTER III: SECOND IMPACT HAD JUST BEEN RELEASED.

YOU COULD SAY THIS STORY WAS A MIDDLE GROUND BETWEEN THE ME IN ME IN MY THIRTIES.





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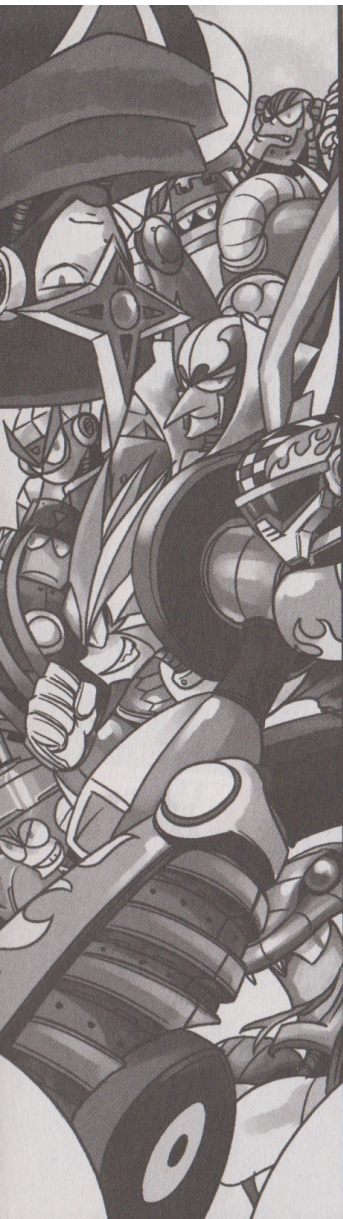
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